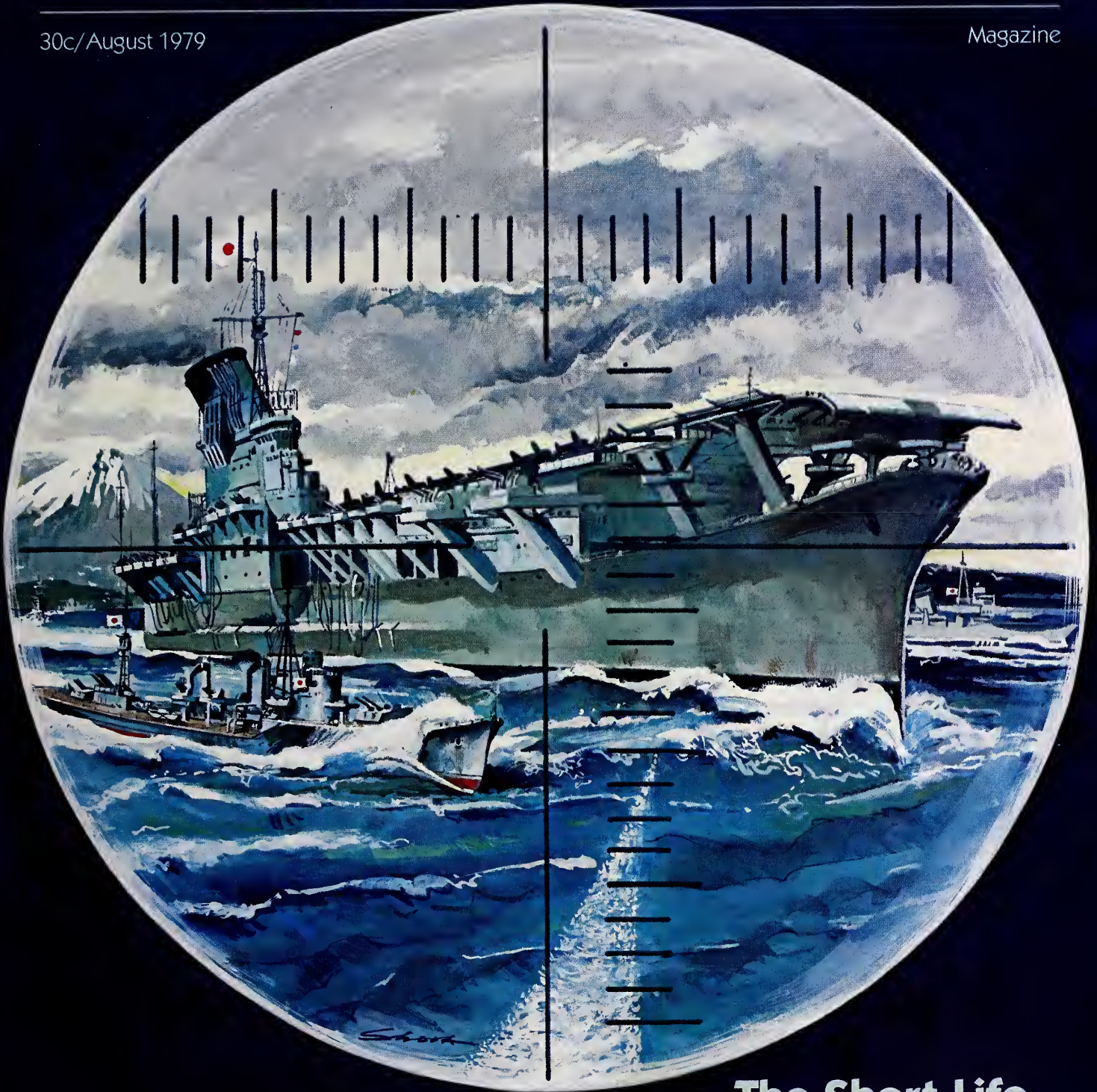


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The Enrights, who live in Dover, Mass., have a son who graduated from West Point. A grandson is now a midshipman at Annapolis. Capt. Enright is a member of American Legion Post No. 209.

In writing about U.S. intelligence, **Ernest Cuneo** speaks from first-hand experience, having served as White House liaison officer with the OSS in World War II. He was decorated by Italy and Britain. He practices law in Washington and his newspaper column is nationally syndicated.

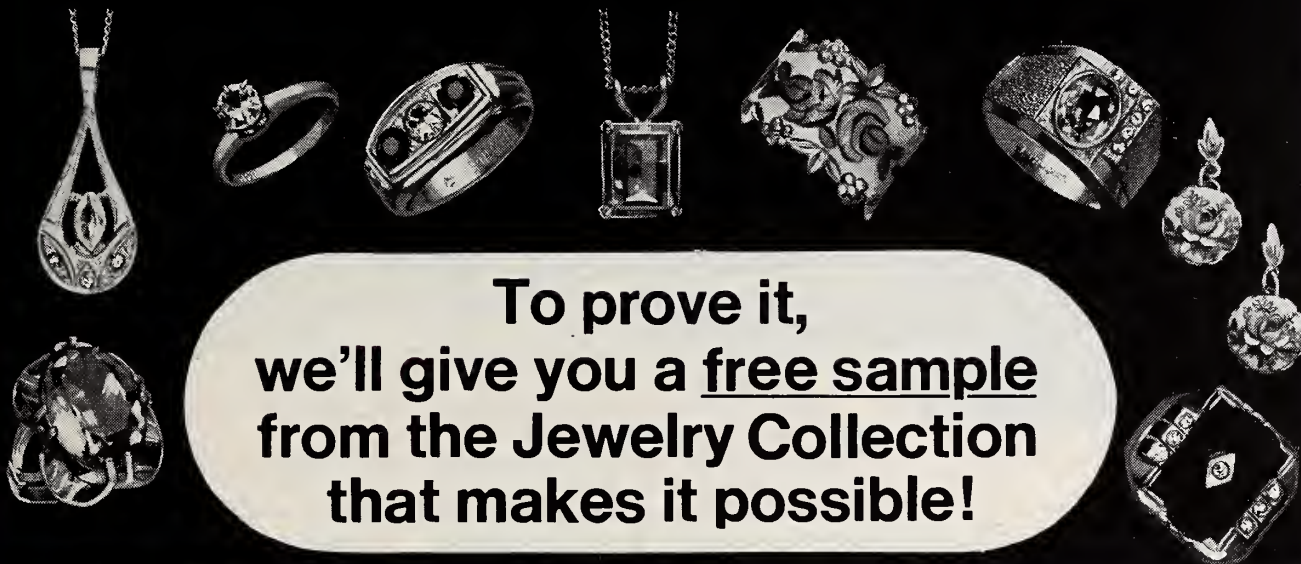
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men," is a native of New York City now living in Florida. He has written 18 books on fishing, the latest being "500 Fishing Experts and How They Catch Fish." He served almost four years with U.S. Army in Africa, Sicily and Italy during WWII.

"Why Not a U.S. Department of Sports?" is by **Joseph C. Keeley**, of The American Legion Magazine Staff who, with this issue, ends his second term as editor. He will be succeeded in this position by **Frank Kuest**, author of "The Ayatollah and the Shah," who has served as managing editor for the past several years.



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John M. (Jack) Carey

## As My Term Ends

This being the last opportunity I will have to address my fellow Legionnaires in this space, I want to share with you some of the more important things I learned during the past year.

In that time I traveled the length and breadth of our nation and I visited countries overseas. It was my privilege to meet and talk with thousands of Legionnaires and non-Legionnaires, with many officials of our government, and with more than a few foreign leaders.

I wish I could report that I found a mood of optimism about the state of our nation and the world generally, but unfortunately that was not the case. Instead I sensed a pervasive feeling of doubt and uncertainty because of what is happening at home and abroad.

I do not mean that there was despair and hopelessness. The general attitude was that eventually the United States would recover its sense of purpose and once again assert itself as befits a country that is first among nations. However, it is obvious that this will take the united efforts of all Americans if our country is to regain its foremost position among nations while achieving unity and stability at home.

Here is where The American Legion can play a vital leadership role, and this in turn brings me to a more optimistic aspect of this report. As I mentioned earlier, as National Commander I met with a great many

Legionnaires this year. A primary purpose, of course, was to explain and solicit support for our many Legion activities. Support was needed to head off what appears to be a drive to destroy the rights of veterans, rights they earned the hard way. And to achieve these and other goals, support was needed to build membership.

Every Department gave me enthusiastic backing, but there was considerable input as well, telling how our work can be done better. All this provided a dramatic example of what our organization can do, and is anxious to accomplish.

I should mention that in our meetings we were not merely talking to ourselves. More often than not they were public gatherings, attended by community leaders, and given widespread coverage by the regional media. Often our meetings received national attention. Thus we were able to get the Legion message to millions of non-Legionnaires.

The timing of all this I consider extremely important. I sensed a changing mood in this country. In my opinion, the great majority of Americans are fed up with what is happening in and to these United States. They deplore the disunity that has grown up, the welfare state concepts that are being promoted, and the way in which so many of our leaders are willing to accept an inferior position in a hostile world.

I found among non-Legionnaires a widespread acceptance of the Legion's position on such matters as strengthening our defenses, promoting a more credible foreign policy, developing an equitable selective service system, and putting an end to deals and treaties that might weaken us. There is no doubt whatever that the American people, with few exceptions, share the view of the Legion that peace comes through preparedness, and they are no longer falling for the disastrous propaganda of that small minority of peaceniks who received so much attention during the 1960s and who are now doing everything in their power to disarm the United States unilaterally.

However, it would be a mistake to believe that this element no longer has influence in Washington. Indeed, some of them have maneuvered themselves into positions of great strategic importance. These people, in and

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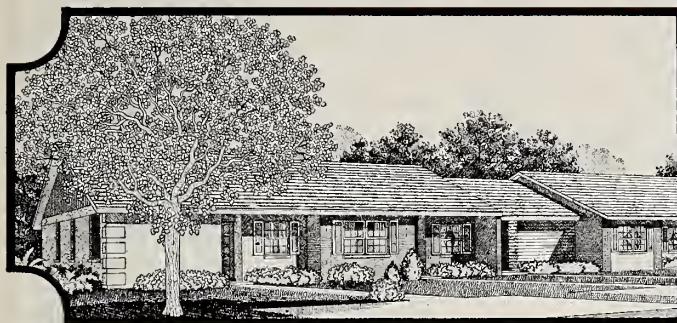
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• After reading "Footnotes to D-Day" (June) I wish to say "Thank you, General Wedemeyer." It is an excellent article that answers questions that many of us pondered during and after World War II.

T. W. YOUNG  
*Denison, Texas*

• The masterful presentation by Gen. Wedemeyer in "Footnotes to D-Day" (June) confirms what I expressed a quarter-century ago. As a 34-year-old incoming department commander, I conceived and brought to the Washington National Convention a resolution expressing a need for an "Academy for Diplomacy." It never got off the ground.

L. J. WILLETT  
*Jackson, Minn.*

• As a faithful and long-time reader of your magazine I wish to thank you for "America's First Transcontinental Flight" (June.) I recall so vividly the news stories. Rodgers' flight followed the Katy railroad tracks from Kansas City and when he flew over my hometown of Wagoner, Okla., Vin Fiz signs boldly displayed, I was an 11-year-old member of the wildly cheering crowd around the Katy station. As you may surmise, this has always been one of my fondest memories!

T. M. MARKLEY  
*Tulsa, Okla.*

• I wish to tell you that The American Legion Magazine is looking great these days. The new format has an eye-catching, clean appearance with lots of reading appeal. The June article "Looking for an Ideal Place to Live" is excellent. My husband and I recently moved to a new community in a different state. We went through many of the procedures your author suggests so we know from experience that his ideas are helpful ones. A plus factor in our relocation is that in our town there are several fraternal organizations, such as the very active American Legion Post and Auxiliary, that offer numerous social and community activities. Keep up the good work. Three cheers for Parting Shots!

BETH COOK  
*Grass Valley, Calif.*

• I express complete agreement with

Commander Carey's concern in "New Cause for Alarm" (June) about the lessening of VA's concern for health-care needs of all veterans. The Administration pays lip service to veterans' health care but the actuality gives lie to their words. Daily I deal with VA medical facilities and know that the staff is composed of dedicated and competent people. I hear continual complaints about budget constraints, insufficient staff, lack of resources and shortages of material, but somehow these dedicated workers keep plugging along. I sincerely hope that veterans and concerned non-veterans who read the Commander's Message will let Congress and the Administration know that we were promised this care, we need it, and we will not countenance any efforts to scale down, eliminate or submerge it within another system or national health-care group.

MICHAEL J. DOYLE  
*Green Lake, Wis.*

• Commander Carey's "New Cause for Alarm" was excellent and right on target. He has earned the admiration of all honorably-discharged veterans. The last place to economize should be at their expense.

WILLIS A. PHILLIPS  
*Pinellas Park, Fla.*

• Commander Carey's "New Cause for Alarm" is all too true. I have had the personal experience of being denied prescribed medicine together with stretch-out of periodic appointments necessary for health maintenance. I am not alone in this token treatment. At best this is political malfeasance.

R. J. HARRIGAN  
*Waterbury, Conn.*

• I have read your May issue several times. It has surpassed all your previous efforts. "The Vietnam Veteran as a Soldier" is pure inspired writing. Please keep up the excellent work.

DAVID R. HUFF  
*Auburndale, Fla.*

• This letter is in regard to "Should the Military Draft be Revived?" (June.) I am a 20-year-old woman willing to serve my country. Put me down for a "Yes" vote for reinstating

the draft and give me my draft card. The all-volunteer army has proved to be a useless alternative. The majority of "qualified" young men do not wish to give four years to their country—a most frightening thought in peace time. Others are rejected because they are under-qualified. Does it seem odd that since we need so many new recruits that those with interest and real qualifications are turned away? I back the draft. I am willing to serve if needed.

DANAE MARIE EVANS  
*West Lafayette, Ind.*

• Your magazine performs one special public service through "Big Issues." "Should the Military Draft Be Revived?" (June) provides cogent answers to this most important question. My vote is "NO." We already have sufficient explosive power to annihilate the human race many times over. It fills our lives with doubt, cynicism and fear. We have more than adequate military strength for policing purposes. To spend more on the military is unthinkable.

WESLEY C. EASTMAN  
*Whitehall, Penna.*

• I am a 15-year-old high school student. My Grandfather receives your magazine and I think it is one of the best published. I especially enjoy the historical pieces and those that help keep us alert on current international problems such as "Moscow's Grand Strategy Unfolds" (January and February.) I hope you will continue to back the issues that assist our nation's veterans, strengthen our defense, and other issues of great concern to Americans. Also I would like to express my gratitude for the enjoyment experienced from Legion-sponsored football and wish to say "keep up the great work you are doing with juvenile athletics."

JOSEPH THOMAS  
*Whitehall, Penna.*

• You have a great magazine, surely the best in the fraternal and military fields. I look forward to reading it each month due in part to its diversification. "The Disarmament Lobby" (November) was saved to be used in my Rotary Club program last month. Keep giving us the best.

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# Big Issues

Should The U.S.

## Restore Capital Punishment Selectively?



Sen. Dennis DeConcini, (D.-Ariz.)

**Yes.** If we in this country are to administer a successful criminal justice system, we must first consider what qualifies as "justice". Obviously, the most simple and direct form of justice is restitution—compensative to one who has been wronged.

But in reality, restitution often is not possible. When an innocent human life has been lost, restitution is not among the options from which

blind justice can choose. Punishment becomes the alternative. It logically follows that the more severe the crime, the more severe the punishment applied.

I support selective capital punishment on the basis of the outlook I obtained as a criminal prosecutor (I was Pima County Attorney in Tucson, Ariz., from 1972 to 1976). Those of us in law enforcement must, because of the nature of our work, dissociate our personal feelings.

Yet, prosecution gave me a different perspective on the criminal world; specifically, I confirmed the existence of what I feel is a distinct type of criminal mind.

I heard a man confess to the stabbing murders of a couple who had taken him into their home. In an unwavering voice, he explained that he had killed them solely to experience the sensation of taking a human life. Psychiatrists declared him rational and sane, and he was tried and convicted.

I heard two men explain why they felt it was necessary to have shot to death 17 people, including two small children, over a two-week span in two states. Their reasoning boiled down to the old maxim that dead witnesses tell no tales. Again, they were found to be perfectly rational and sane, and were convicted.

These are two examples of what I see as a clearly established class of criminals who represent a threat to society, and for whom our most severe punitive measure is the only logical one.

I firmly believe, however, that capital punishment should be used only at a highly selective level. We must be able to make, first, an absolutely unimpeachable determination of guilt. Anyone receiving the death penalty should have the opportunity to exhaust every available avenue of judicial recourse before execution. If we determine in accordance with the law that the individual was insane, and did not know right from wrong at the time of the crime, then capital punishment is improper.

The challenge is in how we account for and deal with the criminal mind that clearly is sane—the mind that deliberately and in full cognizance of the legal questions at hand takes one or more innocent human lives.

We have, in this nation, admirably adhered to the protection of individual rights; yet, we should not in that process forsake our responsibility to protect the rights of society as a whole. And, in these cases, if for no other reason than for the fallibilities and intangibles in our incarceration system, capital punishment emerges as the only vehicle for ensuring those rights.



Rep. Robert W. Kastenmeier, (D.-Wis.)

**No.** I oppose the imposition of the death penalty for several very good reasons. The moral objection is obvious. Capital punishment extinguishes the most mysterious and wonderful thing we know, human life, and deliberately destroying it is as much a crime for the state as it is for the individual.

The death penalty is final. Once it has been carried out, mistakes cannot be corrected. Mistakes, as a

result of errors of human judgment, however, have occurred and innocent persons have been put to death.

Thomas Jefferson recognized such human limits. In arguing against capital punishment, he stated, "Until I shall have been convinced of the infallibility of human judgment, I shall always oppose the penalty of death."

Historically, the death penalty was applied discriminatorily. Statistics clearly establish that it was mostly the poor, the uneducated, the unskilled and the non-white who paid the extreme penalty under capital punishment. The late Lewis B. Lawes, warden at Sing Sing, remarked that "The defendant of wealth and position never goes to the electric chair or to the gallows. The defendant with ample means is able to have his case presented with every favorable aspect, while the poor defendant often has a lawyer assigned by the court . . . . Thus it seldom happens that a person who is able to have eminent defense attorneys is convicted of murder in the first degree, and very rare indeed that such a person is executed."

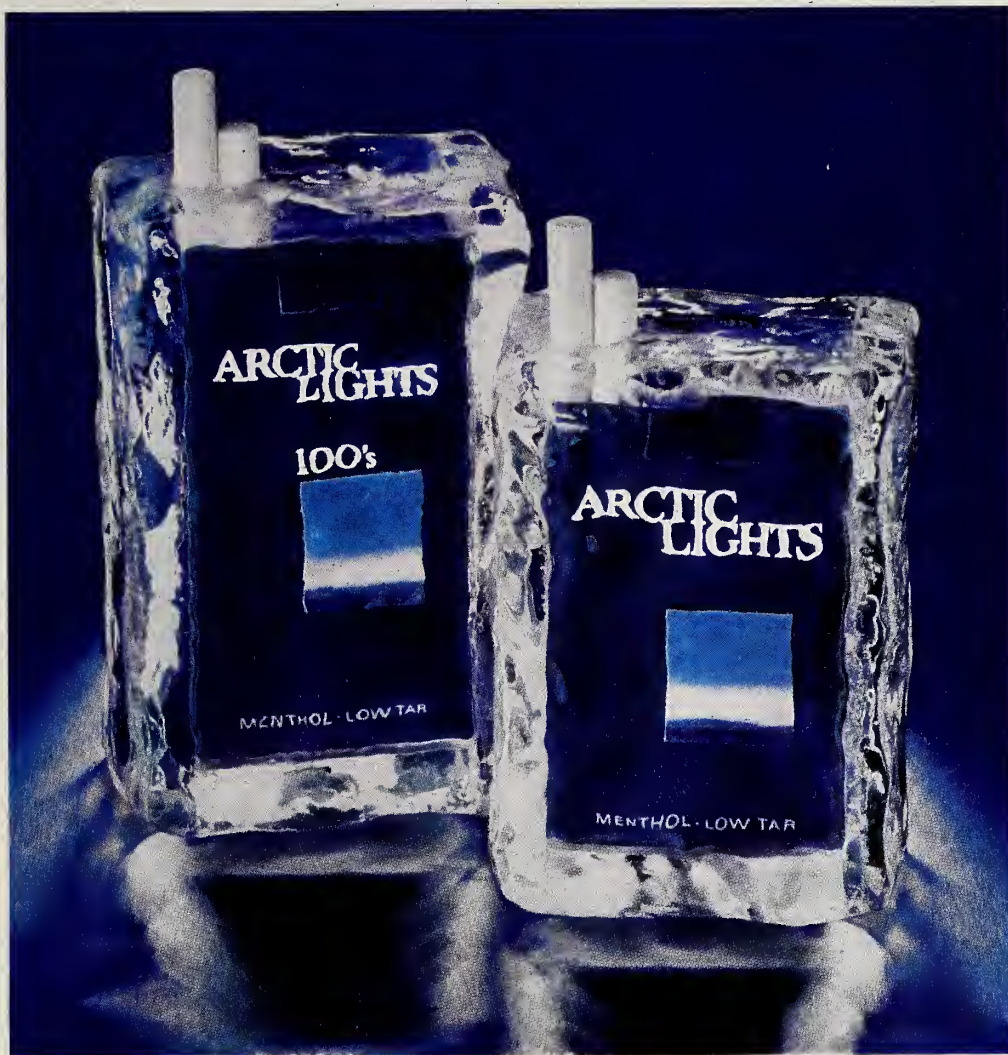
Supporters of the death penalty cling to the claim that it has a specific deterrent effect. If society really believes that the death sentence is a deterrent, then there should be public executions. Case studies have shown that the death penalty has little if anything to do with the relative occurrence of murder.

An authoritative study of the deterrent impact, prepared for the American Law Institute, concluded that anyone who carefully examined the data is bound to arrive at the conclusion that the death penalty exercised no influence on the extent or fluctuating rates of capital crimes.

On the other hand, statistics showed, prior to the U.S. Supreme Court ruling in the 1972 *Furman* decision, which struck down almost all federal and state capital punishment statutes, that those states that abolished or restricted the use of capital punishment had a lower murder rate per 100,000 persons than the U.S. average.

To execute a person in the name of the law is not the solution to the problem of crime. Not only is it ineffective, it also cheapens the human life. It brings a false sense of security to the community by leading people to think that the death chamber guarantees their protection. The protection of society lies partially in the rehabilitation of the criminal as well as in the prevention of crime. The death penalty accomplishes neither of these objectives.





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# News to Use

## Repair Warranty—Car Sales Lure

Because car repairs are so expensive these days, all the big auto makers are coming up with a timely sales lure—the option to buy an extended warranty when you purchase a vehicle. In effect, this guarantees you free repairs on all major mechanical components when your regular warranty (12 months or 12,000 miles) runs out.

**GENERAL MOTORS:** Its new extended warranty is good for three years or 36,000 miles, with a \$25 deductible after the first 12,000 miles (which are covered by the original warranty). Cost is \$153 to \$295, depending on type of car. GM also will insure used cars purchased from its dealers for one year for \$98 to \$280. Unlike other auto makers, GM will honor repairs made in any approved shop.

**FORD:** Also insures for three years or 36,000 miles (with a \$25 deductible) in a range of \$110 to \$255. Ford, too, will insure used cars purchased from its dealers. But all repairs must be made by franchised Ford dealers only.

**CHRYSLER:** Offers the longest extended warranty of all—five years or 50,000 miles with a \$50 deductible. Prices vary considerably. Chrysler does not insure used cars; all repairs must be made by Chrysler dealers.

**AMERICAN MOTORS:** At a cost of \$75, AMC will double the car's original warranty to two years or 24,000 miles, with a \$75 deductible on the extended portion. Repairs must be made by authorized AMC dealers. Additionally, AMC is throwing in a three-year rust warranty gratis—whether you buy extended coverage or not. It covers rust-through of any part except the exhaust system.

## Long-Wear Contact Lenses

Cataracts—a leading cause of blindness—can be removed with such confidence these days that around 95 percent of the operations are successful. But because a patient loses the lens of his eye in the process, he has to replace it artificially. Currently he has three choices:

- 1) An implant made at the time of the operation. However, this is a permanent decision that cannot be altered if the patient later changes his mind.
- 2) Contact lenses. These usually work well, but involve the trouble of daily removal for sleeping, cleaning, etc.
- 3) Eyeglasses. They also do a good job, though some wearers complain that they are heavy and detract from appearance.

Now a highly promising fourth choice is about to come on the market: Long-wear (or extended-wear) contact lenses that need not be removed for weeks or even months. They're thinner and more pliable than regular contacts, permit good peripheral vision, and can be inserted or removed by the patient himself when necessary.

## 'Small Saver' Interest Rates Up

The big gap between interest rates paid on modest savings accounts and large accounts is beginning to narrow a bit, and likely will shrivel still more in the future. Note the latest bank regulations, framed to give the little fellow a better break:

- Interest on all savings accounts has increased to 5½ percent in thrift institutions and 5¼ percent in commercial banks. Also, the interest rate on government E and H bonds has been jacked up from 6 percent to 6½ percent.
- A new four-year certificate is permissible with a variable interest rate, currently about 8 percent. No minimum is necessary—meaning the small saver has a chance to pick up a higher return on his money.
- Similarly, minimums on certificates of deposit (except the \$10,000 money-market certificates) have been eliminated.
- Meantime, penalties for early withdrawal have been eased and are abolished entirely if the account-holder dies.

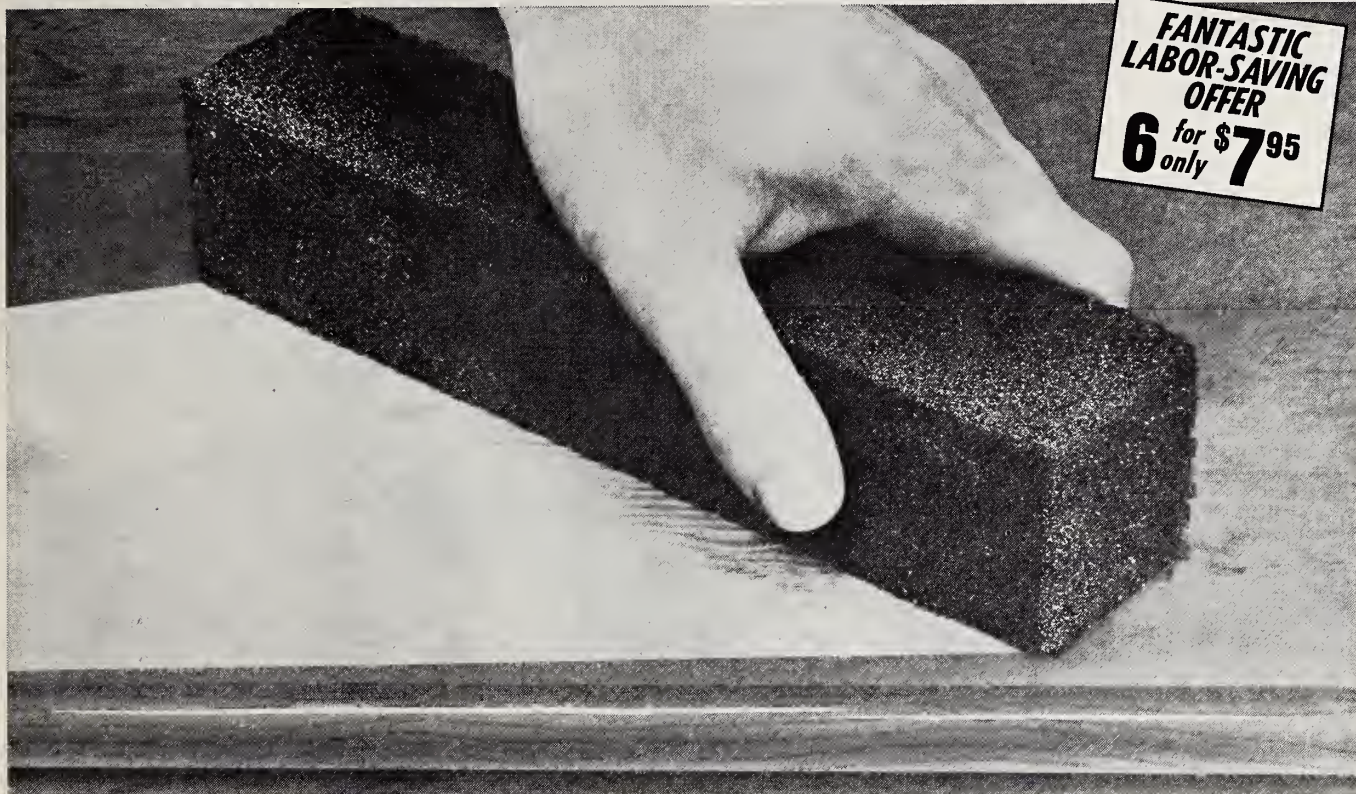
But there's another side to this coin: If you're a borrower instead of a saver, the new trend will work against you. You'll notice it particularly in mortgage rates, which are going sky-high (11 percent and up).

By Edgar A. Grunwald



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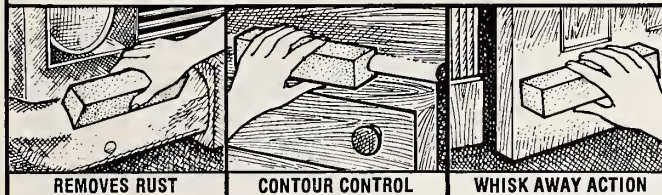
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# Dateline Washington

## Public Anger Spurs Congress on Energy

The early summer's burgeoning gas pump lines—and gasoline prices—have catalyzed Congressional hesitation over dealing with the energy shortage. Suddenly, there's been a rush to get behind synthetic fuels, mainly making oil and gas out of coal.

The push for U.S. oil dependence will run into the billions of dollars, and will take several years before making a substantial contribution to the U.S. energy needs, but it can be done. It was during World War II, that the U.S. successfully undertook an emergency drive to make synthetic rubber, when the enemy deprived us of the natural rubber sources.

Although there's some foot-dragging on nuclear energy, other programs are getting support from both Congress and the Administration, especially solar energy. All the programs are aimed at making the U.S. self-sufficient for its energy—the weakest link in our national security.

Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan, New York Democrat, is also saying out loud what some others in Washington are thinking: the time has come to break the power and influence of OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) over U.S. economic and foreign policy.

## Next for Space: The Shuttle

Ever since Neil Armstrong touched down on the Moon's surface 10 years ago, the U.S. space program has been running at a slowed-down pace. There are plenty of exciting targets out there—like stepping down on Mars—but after the super-spectacular lunar landing, the American public steadily lost interest in activities way out there.

However, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA), making do with half of its heyday \$10 billion annual budget, keeps planning and preparing new missions so as to broaden U.S. know-how. Congress, while no longer wildly enthusiastic, supports NASA with an eye to keeping ahead of Russian space-ship development.

Going up next, hopefully by the end of 1979, is the space shuttle, which unlike earlier spacecraft, will be reusable and can be utilized during its long-lasting orbits for scores of missions, including launching and retrieving satellites. Proponents say the shuttle will not only save money in the billions but even make money by providing for commercial as well as military and scientific projects.

## Census Will Call on You in Spring

Come spring, Uncle Sam will be calling on all living in the United States and territories to answer a number of questions involved in taking the nation's 20th census of our population.

On April 1, 1980, the postman will deliver the official questionnaire, which under law must be filled out under pain of a \$100 fine for willful refusal to do so. The principal purpose of the census, besides the headcount, is to reapportion the House of Representatives.

In addition, the census tries to discover patterns of American life. Some three-quarters of the population will get "short-form" questionnaires, which according to

the Census Bureau, can be answered in 15 minutes. The rest will get a longer document requiring some 45 minutes to fill out.

Even before the survey gets under way, there's controversy over it in Congress. Some legislators think there are too many questions, short and long forms; and some feel that the questions aren't the right questions; and others complain that the questions are too intrusive into the lives of Americans.

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## PEOPLE & QUOTES

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**Energy Crisis**—"The American people have absolutely refused to accept a simple fact. We have an energy crisis. We have shortages of oil. The shortages are going to get worse in the future. We are going to have less oil to burn, and we are going to have to pay more for it." President Carter.

**Hard Work Out**—"European leaders must face the fact that social egalitarianism and government intervention in the free-enterprise system have killed the European work ethic: increasingly, hard work seems to be considered anti-social." Jiro Tokuyama, Director Nomura Research Institute.

**Free, But**—"I think that the free enterprise system is absolutely too important to be left to the voluntary action of the marketplace." Rep. Richard Kelly (R.-Fla.).

**Students Cheated**—"Students not held to reasonable standards of scholarship and authority are cheated by their education, unable to distinguish between art and entertainment, substance and hoopla." Prof. Ivan Goldman of Montana University.

**True University**—"A university ought to be an ecosystem, where everything is dependent on everything else. A true university is much more like a swamp." Yale President A. Bartlett Giamatti.

**Not Omnipotent**—"The realization that we are not omnipotent, should not make us fear that we have lost our power or the will to use it." Secretary of State Cyrus Vance.

**Question Of Sense**—"In a time of dwindling fossil fuel supplies, it makes little sense to abandon nuclear power as a potential source of energy, but it makes even less sense to dismiss as hysterical those who have serious questions about the relative safety of nuclear power." HEW Secretary Joseph Califano.

**Europe Needs U.S.**—"We know that Europe and the Free World cannot be properly defended unless America stays in Europe." British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

**Speak Up**—"People should be more interested in what their government is doing—speak up if they don't like something, not go back into their shells and ignore it." former Sen. Margaret Chase Smith of Maine.

**OPEC Blames Us**—"We have reached the final act of an absurd drama when OPEC is blaming the U.S. Department of Energy for gasoline price rises." White House Press Secretary Jody Powell.

**Less Ambition**—"The increasing demand for an ever-higher standard of living is going to wane. People are starting to realize they don't need two full incomes." Paul C. Glick, Census Bureau official.



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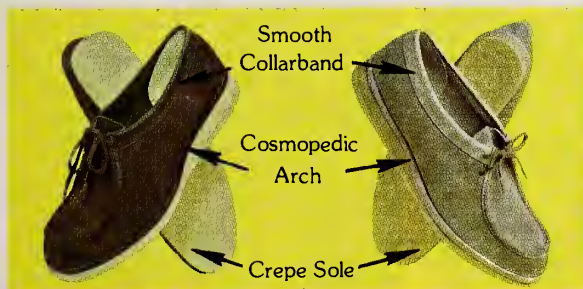
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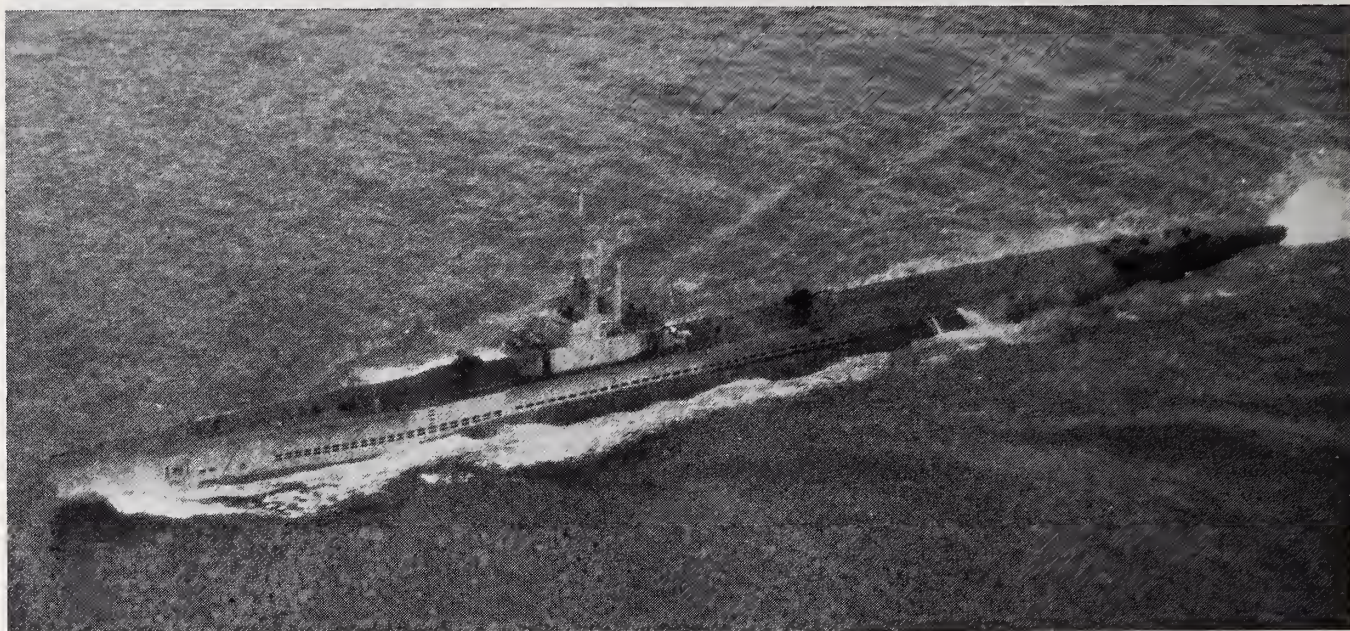
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## Part One



*The U.S.S. Archer-Fish off San Francisco's Golden Gate heading out to sea.*

# The Short Life and SUDDEN DEATH of the SHINANO

**How one of the biggest warships ever built was sunk only hours after first putting to sea, as told by the captain of the U. S. submarine credited with the kill.**

By Captain Joseph F. Enright, USN (Ret.)

*Presented in two parts. Part two will appear in next month's issue.*

Submarine *Archer-Fish* had a refit period at the Submarine Base, Pearl Harbor, in October 1944. She departed on the 30th under my command for her fifth war patrol. We had a scheduled stop in Saipan.

Upon arrival in the Marianas, we moored alongside the tender *USS Fulton* for a stay of 48 hours. The stop was to permit "topping off" fuel and provisions and to pick up our patrol operation order from Commander Submarines, Pacific (Vice Admiral Lockwood). I flew to Guam where the Admiral and staff were then located. I was provided the order and a verbal summary of our assigned location and what we were to do.

Our patrol area was south of the Japanese island of Honshu. We were to attack enemy ships but on a "not to interfere" basis with our primary mission of lifeguarding. We had the station closest to Japan of the submarines placed along the route of our B-29 bombers attacking Japan from their fields in the Marianas. We were to be on a particular spot known to

the aircrews and to guard a specific radio frequency. Should a plane be forced down the crew would call us on the radio (voice), head for our location and be picked up. Our assignment was far enough off the coast so that it was likely that we could be on the surface during the raids without harassment from enemy forces. That would permit us to conduct our mission more efficiently.

The success that we obtained on that patrol far exceeded any hopes or expectations. It was memorable, unbelievable, fantastic, a naval catastrophe to the Japanese and it had historical significance. It was possible because of the perseverance of a capable and dedicated crew, an outstanding submarine, and a chain of phenomenal circumstances.

On November 11 (Armistice Day) we left Saipan heading for our patrol.

Postwar information indicates that on that same day a gigantic aircraft carrier which had been building in Yokosuka Navy Yard since 1940 was launched. The flood valves to graving dock #6 were opened, the ship rose from her keel blocks, and was afloat for the first time. Much later Toshi-



**The carrier group changed course from 270 to 210 degrees and was heading directly at us. We finally were in position.**

kazu Kase in his book "Journey to the Missouri" described this massive new ship as "a majestic and unperishable castle of the sea."

On November 18, 1944, she was commissioned as HIJMS (His Imperial Japanese Majesty's Ship) *Shinano*. She then moved out from the high sandstone cliffs adjacent to her building dock and away from the huge fence which had shielded her from view for security purposes. Exceptional measures had been taken to keep her existence from being discovered including the prohibition of any photograph.

In 1946 our Occupation Forces during interrogations with Japanese Navy personnel learned that *Shinano* spent her next ten days conducting training in Tokyo Bay and taking aboard stores and ammunition in limited quantities.

Meanwhile, *Archer-Fish* was on her lifeguard station completely unaware of the events that were to take place. If not the largest at least one

of the three largest warships in the world was preparing to depart on her maiden voyage through the submarine patrol area. She did leave her building yard at 6 P.M. on November 28, 1944.

The first few days on station were uneventful for *Archer-Fish*. We saw a few enemy planes but they were not bothersome. A few small fishing boats passed but they were not suitable to attack. On a few occasions, one or two high flying B-29s were seen, probably on photo or weather-reconnaissance flights. Radio traffic was light and we had no calls for assistance.

As the fourth Thursday in November—the 23rd—approached the Exec, Lt. Cdr. Sigmund "Bob" Bobczynski, and I discussed when we would celebrate Thanksgiving. We had some choice as the traditional day until 1940 had been the last Thursday in the month. The new—or Roosevelt Thanksgiving—was the fourth Thursday. We agreed that as long as our patrol so far had been unproductive, we had little reason to celebrate so would wait for the 30th and hope for success in the meantime.

November 25, 1944 was a banner day in the U.S. war effort. More than a hundred B-29 bombers left their airfields on Tinian, Saipan, and Guam and conducted the first massive air attack on Japan. They were

at high level and bombed through overcast skies. In *Archer-Fish* we did not see the planes but we could judge the success of the raid by tuning in our broadcast radio receiver on the local stations. The excitement and terror of the people were evident even though we had no one aboard who understood the language. We received no calls for assistance.

This date, incidentally, is also a memorable and sad day in U.S. Navy history. It was the 20th anniversary of the deliberate sinking of one of our newest battleships. The Navy was directed to do this in the misguided belief that if we destroyed our strength, others, particularly Japan, would follow our altruistic dream and the world would have no more wars. *USS Washington* (BB47) was nearing completion. She was taken off the Virginia Capes and sunk by two torpedoes, four 1000-pound bombs and 14 heavy shells. One can only speculate as to what her fate may have been on December 7, 1941 if she had been permitted to live and was with her sisters *Maryland*, *West Virginia* and *Tennessee* in Hawaiian waters. Would she have been in port and suffered the same fate as they? Or, by chance, would she have been at sea and detected the advancing bandits? Or, should she have been spared with

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Capt. Enright in 1963 when he was still on active duty.

The men of the *Archer-Fish* at the time of their fifth war patrol.





# Are we destroying our First Line of Defense?

**Intelligence helped win World WarII but we seem to have forgotten this as we handicap our intelligence services.**



*With the Nazi code broken Churchill was aware of Hitler's orders often before they were delivered to German generals.*

**By Ernest Cuneo**

Most of the histories written today about World WarII are woefully inadequate. This is because they do not tell how the Allies had access to Hitler's most secret code and were thus instantly informed of his orders to his generals and admirals; and how, when and where the Nazi forces would attack.

The Germans had a code machine for war use of fantastic complexity which would produce an infinite number of different cipher alphabets. It was called Enigma and the intelligence it delivered was referred to as Ultra. So certain was Hitler that no one could penetrate its ciphers that he went to his death in that belief.

The fact is that from the first shot of the war the British were reading every one of his orders as fast as they were received by the German commanders in the field. Churchill and Field Marshal Alexander, major beneficiaries of this intelligence, declared that Ultra had altered the whole concept of modern warfare.

Since 1945, the secret scientific war has accelerated. There have been tremendous advances in the state of the art. Among other things, the U2 photographic plane, able to fly at 90,000 feet, carried cameras which, even in 1960, were capable of amazing focus. The late Allen Dulles, Chief of the CIA, told me even then that he had a photograph of every blade of grass in Russia. Since then the spy-satellites, at a distance of 160

miles, carry cameras of such refinement that the numbers of the license plate of a car or the rank on one officer's shoulder can be discerned.

The importance of these mind-boggling advances can be measured from what Ultra did to revolutionize modern war. Among other things, all of the Allied leaders, from Churchill to Eisenhower, regarded it as the most decisive factor in achieving victory. Ultra not only revealed the exact battle plans of the Germans in the Normandy landings, but succeeded in misleading the German General Staff into believing that there was a third great army in existence, under General Patton, which would attack at Calais. This Patton army, theoretically stationed in Kent, was totally non-existent. However, a tremendous



air traffic of its pseudo activities was simulated. Ultra revealed that the German Staff was completely hoodwinked. The result was that seven German divisions were kept at Calais and four full panzer divisions were kept in reserve near Paris. Since they were out of the Normandy landing, the Allies carried the beaches.

Ultra's list of triumphs is endless: Patton's great dashes across Europe were due to the fact that he knew at all times where the Germans were, what strength they had and what they were going to do. Rommel's Afrika Korps tactics were an open book to Montgomery. Thus, knowing Rommel would attack his left flank, Montgomery massed his artillery and shredded the German battalions. Every battle, from the withdrawal of the British army to Dunkirk and the victory of the RAF in the Battle of Britain was due to the breaking of the German codes. The effect was even more dramatic at sea. German subs signalling the German Admiralty, were also transmitting to Allied Naval Intelligence, based at 620 Fifth Avenue, New York, and revealing their positions within a quarter of a mile. Thus, the Battle of the Atlantic ended as slaughter at sea. The German submarines were as vulnerable as fish in a barrel. About 785 out of 1100 were sunk. Considering the Allied triumphs achieved, the wonder is that to the end the German High Command did not discover that it had no secrets from the Allies.

The electronic war has intensified since then. Indeed, the American intelligence services at the end of World War II came to the same conclusion. That conclusion is that in the next war the American intelligence services will be the first—and maybe the last—line of American defense. Certain it is that no modern state can maintain even a semblance of security without first-class intelligence. This being so, it is all but beyond belief to witness the terrifying destruction of America's intelligence services.

Ask the average American what he knows of Karagaburun, Belbosi and Divukbakir and it is doubtful if he will know where they are, much less what they do. Actually, they are American electronic listening posts, high in the mountains of Turkey. They monitor the electronic traffic of Russia, particularly the signals by which Russia guides and directs her

intercontinental missiles and the electronic control of their multiple warheads. Moreover, ominously enough, the Russians now insist on their right to transmit secret signals to their missiles, a huge stumbling block in the SALT II proposals.

In the 19th century the rugged mountains of the Northern Tier States, running from Turkey through Iran and Afghanistan to the Himalayas of India, were the land bastions

### **It is all but beyond belief to witness the terrifying destruction of America's intelligence services.**

of the lifeline of the British Empire. Following the discovery and development of the Middle East oil fields after the Great War, the Middle East became the energy mainstream of Western Europe, Japan and Israel. Middle East oil is as important to the industrial world of the West as oxygen is to the human body.

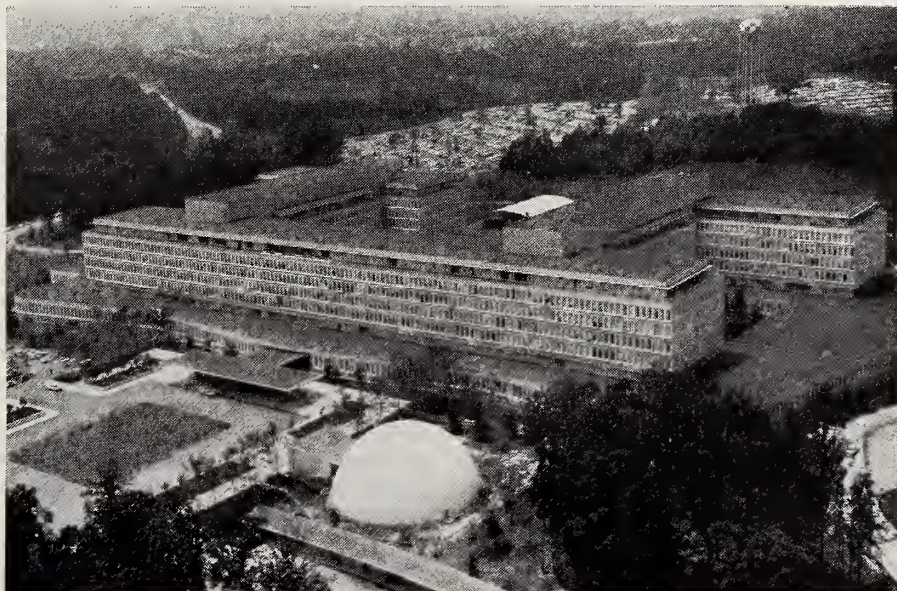
Yet, such is the expanding dimension of modern war, that the greatest immediate importance of the Northern Tier States is for accurate surveillance of the super-secret Soviet missiles, nuclear ranges, satellites and satellite destroyers. Most important are the codes and the controls

by which these frightful weapons are directed. In effect, a super-scientific electronic war is in progress. The basic speed is 186,000 miles per second, the speed of light. This means a basic change in the nature of conflict. As late as the early 20th century, the breaking of the enemy's will by crushing of his armies on the field was the accepted standard of waging war. The Second World War developed the attack by or on vital centers, as a means of defeating armies in the field by destroying their base.

At Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the introduction of nuclear weaponry demonstrated that the capacity for destruction was approaching the absolute. With the introduction of the supersonic rocket capable of delivering warheads across the seas within a few hundred yards of target created an annihilating weapon with an electronic nervous system, capable of giving reports, finding its objective and receiving commands. As a plane basically is the essential defense against another plane, it follows that the defense against an electronic system or electronically directed attack is a superior electronic system, capable of locating, intercepting and if possible, directing the electronically-guided missile of the enemy.

A principal bastion of U.S. counter-electronic activity was centered in Turkey and Iran. Methods and measures of incredible delivery have been

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*The Central Intelligence Agency operates an impressive headquarters in Virginia but its operations are hamstrung.*





*All sports would be coordinated by a Joint Chiefs of Sports responsible for everything athletic.*

## Why Not A U.S.

# Department of Sports?

**Too long has the federal government neglected sports. This tells what a vast new bureaucracy could accomplish in the usual Washington manner.**

**By Joseph C. Keeley**

It is not an original observation to point out that Washington is out of touch with the American people. Our leaders exhibit a certain amount of interest in taxes, inflation, the Middle East, human rights, national security, etc. But these matters do not truly excite most Americans.

Stop in at any corner bar or roadside diner and you are not likely to hear the patrons discussing such things as Zbigniew Brzezinski's latest

diplomatic triumphs nor do they talk about the odds on the chances for a SALT treaty. Most red-blooded Americans are more concerned with such truly important issues as whether Pete Rose will earn his keep, who will win this year's pennant, whether the hometown Spartans will clobber the Otherville Trojans, etc.

Presidents and Congress keep ignoring these, the vital issues, and they are dead wrong if they think they can make up for it by pitching out the first ball of the season or playing an inning or two of softball

for the TV cameras. More than anything else, this failure to relate to the general public shows what is wrong with our country's leaders.

A drastic rearrangement of priorities is obviously in order.

Ancient Rome was far ahead of modern Washington in recognizing what the people consider important, and the Roman city fathers had no Gallup polls to guide them. While passing out food stamps good for bread and pasta, they also recognized that sports are the opiate of the masses and they provided sports on



a mammoth scale, as a vast government project.

Not only did this give the citizens the equivalent of modern TV to while away the hours, but it must have meant jobs for hordes of bureaucrats, as well as gladiators, charioteers and animal trainers. Even the Christians benefited by being given a chance at stardom in the Coliseum, albeit briefly.

Today in this country we leave sports up to private enterprise without the kind of assistance and inspiration that only Washington can provide in the way of mandates, guidelines, executive orders, supervision, regulations, controls, directives, recommendations, court orders, etc. And without such guidance, things are bound to founder.

Obviously the time has come for politicians and bureaucrats to combine their efforts to provide the same enlightened leadership they have extended to education, energy, labor relations, transportation, industry, the postal service, health, housing, welfare, ethics, the environment and just about everything else but sports.

What this country needs, in short, is a Department of Sports, headed by a Secretary of Cabinet rank possessed of impeccable credentials, like all Secretaries of Cabinet rank. Howard Cosell comes to mind as a logical candidate for the job of Secretary of Sports, Athletics, and Physical Fitness but, undoubtedly, there are others.

Under the Secretary's direction a Joint Chiefs of Sports would coordinate all sports activities in the country—baseball, football, basketball, hockey, jogging, tennis, golf, karate, pingpong, track, soccer, squash, bocce, curling, quoits, jai alai, etc., to name just a few. There would be Under Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries, Under-Assistant Secretaries and Assistant-Under-Secretaries who would be responsible for the various sports. Like other federal agencies this one would ride herd on all leagues, clubs, associations and individuals involved in any way in athletic endeavors. Federal agencies would also regulate and oversee such things as the manufacture of equipment, band instru-



ments, souvenirs and stadia, parking and food, concessions, musical aggregations, and drum majorettes. Everyone engaged in sports would be licensed after examination and payment of appropriate fees and taxes.

### **Ancient Rome was far ahead of modern Washington in recognizing what the people consider important.**

Standards would be established concerning wages, working conditions, safety, and union representation. Fair employment practices would be mandated to insure equal opportunity, and the present practice of barring participants because of sex, age, physical handicaps, would be ended. Liberal subsidies would, of course, be provided by Washington, together with grants, matching funds, revenue sharing, loans and disaster relief to teams or individuals who suffered poor seasons because of weather or other reasons. To qualify for such funds, federal standards would, of course, have to be met.

Direction from Washington would result in a giant leap forward in safety. Here regulators recruited from consumer activist organizations and public interest groups would be engaged to advise on such matters

as safety belts for spectators, air bags for use by athletes engaged in contact sports, foam rubber baseballs, and hot dogs and mustard containing no carcinogenic ingredients.

Careful records of all these things would have to be kept to insure compliance in all respects, and submitted to the Department of Sports and its officials, with due penalties for non-compliance. The chief penalty would be loss of federal funds, with the usual jail terms and heavy fines provided in extreme cases.

Any involvement in international sports would require action by the Department of State, with reviews by the appropriate boards and desks, and travel by the Secretary of State to trouble spots or potential trouble spots, such as Olympics, and to negotiate treaties.

American athletes would not be allowed to engage in any sports with other nations unless there was a treaty permitting such participation. This, it is felt, would give this country greater leverage in foreign affairs. Thus, the President could inject the human rights issue to prohibit U.S. athletes from participating in a country adjudged to be unworthy of special consideration on this score.

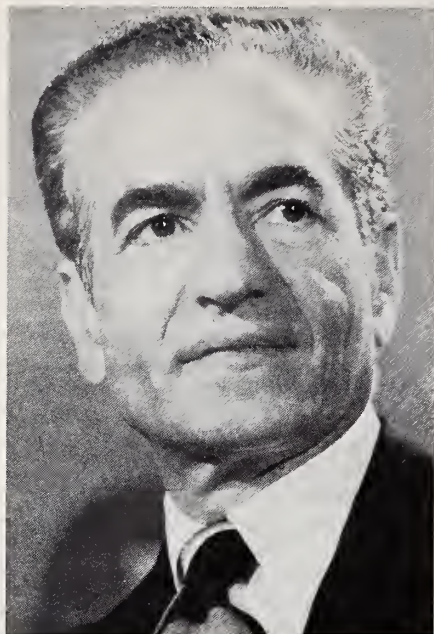
Sports stamps, similar to food stamps, would be made available to those not now privileged to attend and witness such spectacles as the World Series, the Kentucky Derby, the Indy 500, etc., and transportation would also be provided.

All this obviously would call for the employment of a veritable army of federal employees, but this would present no problem since it is a known fact that every red-blooded American is a born sports expert and would be available to join this new bureaucracy.

Indeed, the prompt implementation of this recommendation would provide all the public sector jobs needed to bring our unemployment rate down to an acceptable level. Those still unemployed would be content since they would then have someplace to go if not something to do. As in ancient Rome.

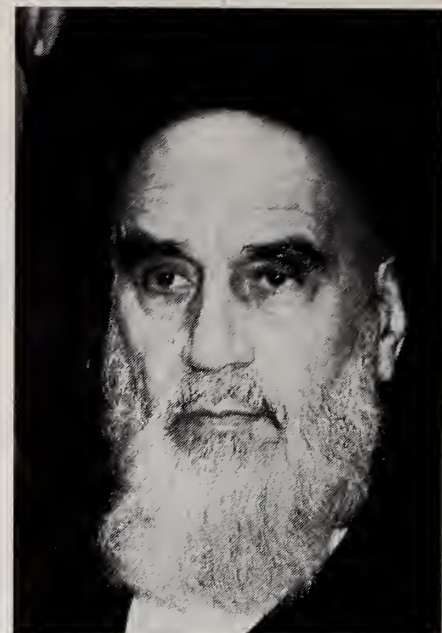
It's your move, Mr. President. ■





## THE AYATOLLAH AND THE SHAH

Their deadly enmity  
had its roots in reforms  
that stripped the Islamic  
mullahs of vast lands.



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*Dramatizing Iran's old and new, a U.S.-built plant forms a backdrop for an ancient form of transportation.*

### By Frank Kuest

The Shah of Iran wanted to rush his country into the 20th Century.

Ayatollah Khomeini wants to push Iran back into the Seventh century when Islam was there implanted.

And therein lies a tale of a nation whose economic, political and social fabric has been torn asunder.

The oppressive, obsessive Khomeini's revolution, or better, rebellion, has left Iran in chaos.

Why and when did this revolution take root?

Admittedly the Shah was despotic, autocratic. A dictator. He was surrounded by a corrupt royal family of satraps. Many of his government officials were on the make and take.

His dreaded secret police, Savak, terrorized the nation.

But the seeds of the Khomeini rebellion were sown unintentionally when the Shah began his White Revolution—as opposed to red or communist—in the late 1950's, the cornerstone of which was land reform.

This was the crux of the rebellion. Not because the people did not want

it. But because land reform stripped approximately 1,000 landlords—mostly mullahs (priests) of the Shiite sect of Islam of their land and control over the tenants who farmed it, and most of their income.

The Shah's land and economic reforms to modernize the nation ran counter to Shiite mullahs' design for an Islamic-ruled Iran. Moreover, they deprived the religious establishment, headed by Ayatollah Khomeini, of its wealth, income and control over the lives and destiny of the people.

The mullahs acquired much of



Iran's arable lands over the centuries from bequests of devout Moslems. They were on the verge of losing this untold wealth and the prestige of landlords.

(Known to the West as Persia prior to 1935, Iran was originally occupied by a group of closely knit Aryan tribes.)

Obviously, the Shah had accumulated vast wealth from oil revenues but the Shiite mullahs were and still are Iran's largest land holders.

Now in the traditional society that had prevailed in Iran for centuries before the Shah's White Revolution, the farmer was the subject, if not the slave, of the landlord, most of whom were absentees.

In the traditional society, there were five basic shares in farming: Land, water, seed, oxen and labor. If the farmer had only labor to offer, his share of the crop he produced would amount to one-fifth of the proceeds, the remainder going to the landlord.

Under land reform, the farmer was given his own plot to cultivate and he could obtain loans from agricultural banking systems for water, seed and oxen. Thus, the approximately 1,000 landlords of all the arable land in Iran were deprived of their income from land holdings, although they were reimbursed, in most cases, for the land taken from them.

Thus, land reform lessened the authority of the land-holding mullahs over the people who farmed.

At the same time, the Shah's ambitious drive to industrialize Iran made the major cities such as Tehran, the capital; Isfahan, Shiraz; Abadan and Khorramshar in oil rich Khuzestan province, into magnets drawing thousands of farmers from the land to take advantage of higher wages and employment opportunities.

Obviously, the Iranian people have exchanged a repressive dictator, the Shah, for an even more oppressive ruler, Khomeini.

The total impact of the revolution on the United States and its policies is incalculable.

Iran, under the Shah, was a firm ally of America and with massive arms purchases from the United States was the guardian of the pivotal Persian Gulf and its oil riches.

Khomeini has served notice that such a relationship with the United States has been terminated and his revolution has fractured Iran with ethnic squabbles, student dissatisfaction and women's protests against return to the chadorah (veil).

Poised to pick up the shattered

pieces are the communists, probably the best organized, most dedicated minority in Iran today. The Tudeh (communist) party was outlawed by the now deposed Shah more than 25 years ago.

The party went underground, resulting in a cohesive shadow unit backed by the Soviet Union that has been waiting patiently for the Shah's overthrow and the opportunity to take advantage of the chaos resulting from the Khomeini rebellion.

Communist control of Iran would satisfy the Soviet Union's voracious appetite for access to the warm waters of the Arabian Sea and the Indian Ocean, not to mention the huge petroleum resources buried beneath the sands of the Persian Gulf.

Khomeini's rebellion already has impacted the United States. A reduced flow of oil has already been felt on the nation's highways.

The rebellion has removed Iran from its traditional western alignment and orientation.

As they head back to the Seventh century, the Iranian people are divided. The ethnic Kurds in western Iran, the Turkoman in the northeast, the Baluchis to the east, the predominantly Arabic Khuzestan province to the south and the nomadic Bakhtiari and Quasgai tribes moving in and out of the Zagros mountains in western Iran, are all clamoring for autonomy. The Khomeini forces are being split into armed bands in a grab for power.

Kangaroo courts have been established to punish supporters of the Shah and it is alleged a contract has been put out for the monarch's life. The reward for the Shah's assassin would be a trip to Mecca, the Moslem world's holiest of cities.

In this rebellion, the Iranian people have traded repression and oppression for more of the same, only worse. Murder and confiscation of property without due process of law are the order of the day.

An estimated 50,000 Iranian students purportedly studying in American universities and colleges are virtually without a country. Most of these students were subsidized by the Shah's government, but many of them turned against his government after reaching the United States. Many more are afraid to go home to rejoin their families.

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The twists and turns of Khomeini's Islamic rule has taken on a course 180 degrees from the traditional Persian values maintained during the Shah's constitutional monarchy.

The Shah maintained quiet but steady ties with Israel, providing oil and landing rights for El Al, Israel's national airline, on a scheduled basis at Mehrabad International Airport at Tehran.

The small but progressive Jewish community in Iran is rightfully edgy after one of its business leaders was brought before a firing squad after a mock trial in a Khomeini court.

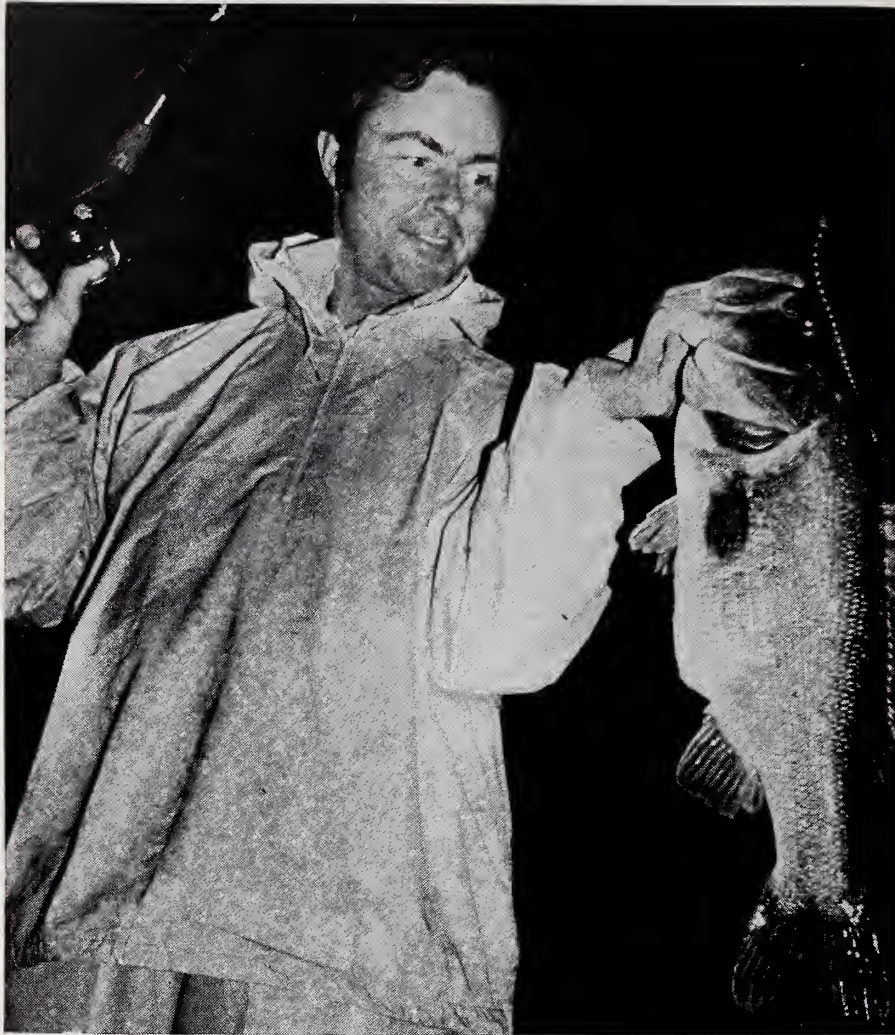
Iran has traditionally been extremely tolerant of Jews and ethnic minorities residing in Iran, taking a

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*The revolution erupted as anti-Shah guerrillas took to the streets. Here they man a roadblock in the center of Tehran.*





*This 8½-pound bass was caught with a plastic worm in the Tamiami Canal.*

# Lures that Catch Fish and Fishermen

The perfect lure has not been invented, but fishermen keep looking, trying, buying.

By Vlad Evanoff

Ever since our ancestors started fishing for food and sport they have been creating artificial fishing lures to catch fish in fresh and salt water. The ancient Greeks and Romans made the first fake flies from wool and feathers. Natives in the South Pacific made the first lures similar

to plugs from bone and ivory. Later on, other fishermen in different countries fashioned lures from hair, wood, lead, tin, brass, copper, iron and other metals and materials. In recent years plastic lures have become the big thing and today various plastic imitations of fish foods are on the market.

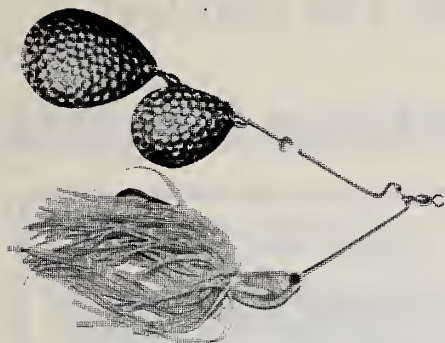
Those early fishermen and present-day anglers have been trying hard to create a fishing lure that would catch fish anytime and everytime. But they haven't succeeded, as every experienced angler knows there is no such lure. That is why we have so many different lures on the market and why most anglers carry a good assortment of all kinds of lures when they go fishing. You can never be sure in advance which lure or lures will work on a particular day, so you will need a selection in your tackle box to be ready for the ever-changing whims of the fish and the changing fishing conditions and situations.

But fishermen are hopeful creatures. They believe that one of these days someone will come up with a lure that never fails. So they keep looking, trying and buying. Or they spend weeks, months, and even years trying to create the perfect lure. They haven't come up with one yet. But many of these anglers have developed highly effective lures that catch plenty of fish. Some of these lures became so popular that they have made fortunes for their investors.

But manufacturing fishing lures is a highly risky and competitive business. Fishing lures have to be designed and tested in tanks, then in various waters in many parts of the country. Some fishing lure companies hire people to test their lures, but most of them send out samples to well-known or expert anglers for field testing. If the lure catches fish it is then marketed and distributed to various jobbers and dealers.

But even the best lure must be attractive to a fisherman who must buy it and use before it can catch fish. So the hardest job is to first "catch" the fishermen and make them buy the lure. Many so-called "killer" and "wonder" lures appear on the market but fail to live up to expectations and then disappear and are forgotten in a few years.





*Spinners are long-time favorites.*

Yet some fishing lures have stood the test of time and have been around for many years and still catch their share of fish. This is especially true of plugs that were originally made to catch black bass in fresh water but are now made to catch many other fish in both fresh and salt water.

No one knows for sure who first invented or developed the modern plug as a fishing lure. But most accounts credit Jim Heddon as the first one to create and refine the plug and put it on the market commercially. The story is that Jim Heddon of Dowagaic, Michigan, was whittling a piece of wood while sitting by the side of a river. Then he tossed the wood into the water and a bass grabbed it. When Heddon returned home that night he whittled out some plugs and put hooks on them. Then he went back to the same spot and caught several bass on them.

This happened about 1890 and a few years later Heddon set up his shop and started to mass-produce the plug. The early plugs made by Heddon were called "Dowagaics" and today James Heddon's Sons is still located at Dowagaic, Michigan, and is making such famous lures as the River Runt, Torpedo, Zara-Spook, Tadpoll and the Sonic.

Another early manufacturer of fishing plugs was the Creek Chub Bait Company that was founded in 1908 in Garrett, Indiana, by three anglers. They named the company after the creek chub minnow, a live bait that was used by midwestern bass fishermen before wooden plugs were put on the market. Their oldest plug is the Creek Chub Wiggler that came out when the firm was started. It was on this plug that George Perry of Atlanta, Georgia, caught the world record largemouth bass—weighing a whopping 22 pounds, 4 ounces! Later

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the company came out with the Injured Minnow, a surface plug with propellers that is now made by many other companies. Still later they came out with the Pikie Minnow, an underwater plug that is made in a variety of sizes and weights for fresh and salt-water fishing.

Two of the most effective surface or top water plugs for bass are the Jitterbug and the Hula Popper. They were created by Fred Arbogast in the 1930's and are still top sellers



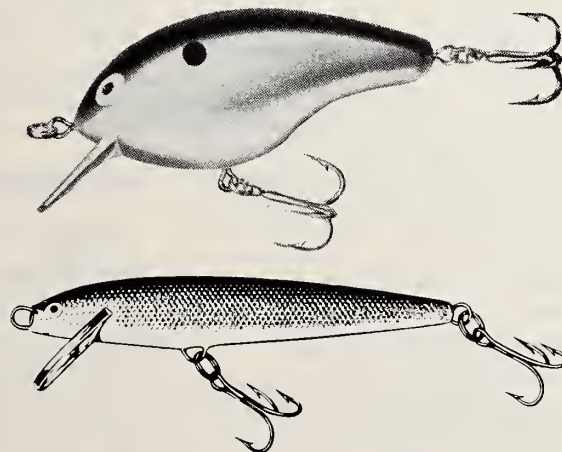
*An effective plug is this Jitterbug.*

to this day. The Jitterbug gets its name from the dancing and gurgling motion it makes as it crawls on top of the water like a crippled minnow or frog. Big bass can't seem to pass it up, especially when it is used toward evening and at night.

One of the most successful lures in history is the Flatfish that was originated by Charles Helin 46 years ago. This is a curved underwater plug with four tiny treble hooks attached. It is made in various sizes from one inch up to six inches for most freshwater gamefish. It keeps on catching fish and selling because to date 50 million Flatfish have been sold.

Another highly successful lure is the Rapala plug created by a commercial fisherman called Lauri Rapala in Finland. He was so poor back in the 1930's that he couldn't even afford to buy a net or even hooks or bait. So he tried to whittle a small artificial fish that would look and act like the herring and minnows found in the waters he fished. He tried different woods, but finally hit on the idea of using light balsa wood for the bodies of his plug. He worked for years carving and experimenting until he finally found the right shape and action. His plug swam with a lively action that looked like a real small fish. He immediately started catching more fish than any other fisherman.

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*The crankbait (top) called a Baby N is good for bass. The Rapala minnow beneath it originated in Finland. The catch shown at left explains why lures are popular.*



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## **Features That Make Your American Legion Life Insurance Hard To Beat!**

### **IS YOUR PRESENT INSURANCE ENOUGH?**

According to the Department of Labor, inflation has stripped away the buying power of your dollar by over two thirds in the past ten years. Think how this has affected your existing life insurance protection!

But as a Legionnaire in good standing, under age 70 and able to meet the underwriting requirements of the Insurance Company, you can take advantage of this inflation-fighting insurance. You don't have to sit back and let inflation endanger *your* family's security when it's easy to do something about it!

### **LIFETIME BENEFITS AVAILABLE**

Your American Legion Plan always provides some coverage (subject to continued premium payment) even though the amounts reduce at certain ages.

### **YOUR PREMIUM NEVER GOES UP**

This makes it an especially valuable

Plan to younger men and senior citizens on a fixed income.

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### **SPECIAL 15% BENEFIT BOOST FOR 1979 . . . AT NO EXTRA CHARGE!**

Benefits for deaths occurring in 1979 have been increased 15% for Legionnaires of all ages.

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### **CHOOSE THE AMOUNT OF PROTECTION YOU NEED**

With American Legion Life Insurance, you have a wide range of benefits to choose from, since it's sold by the unit. And you can add units up to the maximum of six in the future, if you can meet the underwriting requirements at the time.

### **YOU OWE IT TO YOURSELF TO APPLY**

An application is included at right for your convenience. Answer all the

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Benefits determined by age at death and include 15% SPECIAL INCREASE for deaths occurring during 1979. Maximum coverage limited to 6 units.

Age at Death	6 Units	5 Units	4 Units	3 Units	2 Units	1 Unit
Through age 29	\$69,000.00	\$57,500.00	\$46,000.00	\$34,500.00	\$23,000.00	\$11,500.00
30-34	55,200.00	46,000.00	36,800.00	27,600.00	18,400.00	9,200.00
35-44	31,050.00	25,875.00	20,700.00	15,525.00	10,350.00	5,175.00
45-54	15,180.00	12,650.00	10,120.00	7,590.00	5,060.00	2,530.00
55-59	8,280.00	6,900.00	5,520.00	4,140.00	2,760.00	1,380.00
60-64	5,520.00	4,600.00	3,680.00	2,760.00	1,840.00	920.00
65-69	3,450.00	2,875.00	2,300.00	1,725.00	1,150.00	575.00
70-74*	2,277.00	1,897.50	1,518.00	1,138.50	759.00	379.50
75*-Over	1,725.00	1,437.50	1,150.00	862.50	575.00	287.50
Prorated Premium†	\$48	\$40	\$32	\$24	\$16	\$8

\*No persons age 70 or over (including those desiring additional coverage) will be accepted for new insurance.

†PRORATED PREMIUM TO SEND WITH YOUR APPLICATION. The premiums shown above are for the full year of 1979, for approved applications effective September 1, 1979. Premiums for applications approved for October 1 or later are proportionately less, by \$2 PER UNIT PER MONTH, and any overpayments will be refunded. Premiums accompanying non-approved applications will be refunded in full.

EFFECTIVE DATE Your insurance becomes effective on the first day of the month coinciding with or next following the date your application is approved by the Insurance Company. Insurance may be maintained in force by payment of premiums when due.

Application Subject to Underwriter's Approval

Plan insured by Occidental Life Insurance Company of California.

## APPLY TODAY

Why not take advantage of this opportunity right now? Just select the number of units from the chart at left, fill out the application below and enclose your check or money order for the prorated premium indicated to provide coverage for the rest of the calendar year.

IF YOU LIVE IN FL, IL, NJ, NY, NC, OH, PR, TX, or WI send for special application. Applications and benefits vary slightly in some areas.

### MAKE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER PAYABLE TO:

The American Legion Life Insurance Plan

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Chicago, Illinois 60680

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Upon receipt of a request from you, the M.I.B. will arrange disclosure of any information it may have in your file. Medical information will only be disclosed to your attending physician. If you question the accuracy of information in the Bureau's file you may seek correction in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Federal Fair Credit Reporting Act. The address of the Bureau's information office is P.O. Box 105, Essex Station, Boston, Mass. 02112; Phone (617) 426-3660.

### ENROLLMENT CARD FOR YEARLY RENEWABLE TERM LIFE INSURANCE FOR MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Mo. Day Year

Permanent Residence \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Name of Beneficiary \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_  
Example: Print "Helen Louise Jones." Not "Mrs. H. L. Jones"

Membership Card No. \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Post No. \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

I apply for the amount of insurance indicated below. (check appropriate box or boxes).

6 Units ☐ 5 Units ☐ 4 Units ☐ 3 Units ☐ 2 Units ☐ 1 Unit ☐ ½ Unit ☐

The following representations shall form a basis for the Insurance Company's approval or rejection of this enrollment: Answer all questions.

1. Present occupation? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you now actively working?

Yes ☐ No ☐ If no, give reason \_\_\_\_\_

2. Have you been confined in a hospital within the last year? No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, give date, length of stay and cause \_\_\_\_\_

3. During the last five years, have you had heart disease, circulatory disease, kidney disease, liver disease, lung disease, diabetes, or cancer, or have you had or received treatment or medication for high blood pressure or alcoholism? No ☐ Yes ☐ If yes, give details \_\_\_\_\_

I represent that to the best of my knowledge, all statements and answers recorded on this enrollment card are true and complete. I agree that this enrollment card shall be a part of any insurance granted upon it under the policy. I authorize any physician or other person who has attended or examined me, or who may attend or examine me, to disclose or to testify to any knowledge thus acquired.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
The American Legion offers this insurance through Occidental Life Insurance Company of California, 5879  
GMA-300-19 10-70 Home Office: Los Angeles, California  
(Univ.)

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND AUTHORIZATION

I have received and read the Notice of Disclosure of Information at left. Further, I authorize any physician, medical practitioner, hospital, clinic, or other medical or medically related facility, insurance company, the Medical Information Bureau or other organization, institution or person having any records or knowledge of me or of my health to give Occidental Life Insurance Company of California any such information.

A photographic copy of this authorization shall be as valid as the original.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_ Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I apply for additional Legion Life Insurance. My present certificate number is \_\_\_\_\_



# The Message Center

**IMMEDIATE COMMISSIONS AVAILABLE IN ARMY RESERVE MEDICAL SERVICES . . .** Medical, dental and osteopathic students now are eligible for immediate commissions in the Army Reserve Medical Service Corps under a new program approved by the Department of the Army . . . Qualified students currently enrolled in a medical or dental curriculum, or accepted for enrollment in an accredited school, can enter the Army Reserve as officers . . . Once accepted for assignment to an Army Reserve medical unit, the student without prior military service pins on the bars of a second lieutenant . . . For part-time service, today's Army Reserve second lieutenant has a typical annual extra income of \$1,627 . . . Reserve pay increases with longevity and promotions.

## **MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN WINS HIGH PRAISE FROM POST . . .**



Gus Capetta

If The American Legion had a Hall of Fame for membership chairmen, Melville R. Branscombe, finance officer for Babylon, N.Y., Post 94, says Gus Capetta would be a shoo-in for this honor . . . Cappetta, the post's membership chairman, has exceeded the post's membership quota by 90 new members, giving it a total membership of 726 for 1979 . . . Branscombe reports

that this is the first time in the post's history that membership has gone over the 700 mark . . . Cappetta personally signed up 52 new members and has vowed he will get 10 more before the year is out.

## **NEW DIRECTIVE TO BENEFIT DISABLED VETERANS AT VA MEETINGS . . .**

The wheelchair-bound chief of the Veterans Administration has directed that all VA-sponsored meetings or other events be held in locations fully accessible to the disabled . . . Max Cleland, a Vietnam era triple amputee, said that by issuing a formal VA directive on locations for meetings he was acting "to further our commitment to the total elimination of barriers that prevent disabled individuals from participating in meetings and conferences of the VA."

## **VIETNAM ERA VETS ELIGIBLE FOR SPECIAL FEDERAL APPOINTMENTS . . .**

Many Vietnam era

veterans have until October, 1981 to be considered for a special appointment for a federal job under provisions of Public Law 95-520 . . . This authority, the Veterans Readjustment Appointment, allows federal agencies to appoint eligible veterans without regard to civil service registers . . . There is keen competition for the jobs available . . . If interested, the Vietnam era veteran should contact employment offices of federal departments or agencies for eligibility criteria and specific job opportunities.

## **COLLATOS REAPPOINTED AS MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSIONER OF VETERANS' SERVICES . . .**

Charles N. Collatos has been reappointed Massachusetts Commissioner of Veterans' Services by Gov. Edward J. King . . . Collatos was originally appointed in 1957 and has served with eight successive governors, administering the nation's only state financial and medical assistance program for veterans . . . Collatos is a past Massachusetts American Legion department commander and was the first World War II veteran elected to serve on the Legion's National Executive Committee.

## **AIR FORCE SEEKING INPUT FOR REVISION OF HISTORY GUIDE TO DOCUMENTARY SOURCES . . .**

Office of Air Force History is prepared to revise United States Air Force History—A Guide to Documentary Sources . . . Guide was originally published in 1973 . . . AF history office is soliciting assistance in locating documentary and photo collections inadvertently excluded from the current publication to help scholars and students conducting research in aviation and Air Force history . . . two new areas—oral history collections and Aeronautical museums—are being added to the scope of the undertaking . . . If you can help, contact Lawrence J. Paszek, Senior Editor, Office of Air Force History (CVAH), Building 5681, Bolling AFB, Washington, D.C. 20332.

## **IT'S NOW THE DEPARTMENT OF THE PANAMA CANAL . . .**

The treaty giving the Panama Canal and Zone to the Republic of Panama has forced the Department of the Canal Zone a name change . . . It is now The American Legion, Department of Panama Canal . . . "Dropping the word Zone," reports Department Cdr. Bill Uhde, "it is with sadness that I must make this announcement . . . and for us of The American Legion, it would only make it more difficult to strive to continue within the country of Panama using the word Zone."



## Commander's Message

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out of government, may be relatively few in number, but they are well organized and their leaders know how to bring them and a great many dupes together in a show of force calculated to intimidate the weak.

The Legion with its 2,700,000 members easily outnumbers such people and this is a fact that is well known to most officials in a position to formulate policy. However, it is not enough for The American Legion to make its positions known to elected officials as an organization. Legionnaires must play a more active role in expressing themselves *as individuals* to their political leaders. When the earned rights of veterans are threatened, when our nation's security is in jeopardy, and when official actions pose the possibility of a future war, the American Legionnaire has a responsibility to speak out, *as an individual*, and to make his position perfectly clear to the people in office.

Only in this way can officials be made to realize that in the Legion they are dealing with a truly vital force of concerned Americans. ■

## American Legion Life Insurance Month Ending May 31, 1979

The following is an actual case from the files of The American Legion Life Insurance Plan:

\$10,120 paid to beneficiary. Legionnaire was 45 years of age at time of death. Cause of death cancer. Total premium paid amounted to \$142.00.

### Benefits Paid January 1, 1978-

May 31, 1979 .....\$ 1,421,869  
Benefits Paid Since April, 1958 .....\$29,679,458  
Basic Units In Force (Number).....199,164.5

### New Applications Approved

Since January 1, 1979 ..... 2,429  
New Applications Declined ..... 1,663  
New Applications Suspended ..... 2,157

(Applicants failed to return health form)

"Effective January 1, 1979 a 15 percent 'across the board' increase will be extended to December 31, 1979."

The American Legion Life Insurance is an official program of the American Legion, adopted by the National Executive Committee, 1958. It is decreasing term insurance, issued on application to paid-up members of The American Legion subject to approval based on health and employment statement. Effective Jan. 1, 1976, death benefits range from \$60,000 (6 units through age 29, 25 in Ohio) in decreasing steps of \$125 (½ unit at age 75 or over). Previously, maximum was 4 units. This protection is available throughout life, as long as the annual premium is paid, the insured remains a member of The American Legion, and the Plan stays in effect. Available up to six units at a flat rate of \$24 per unit a year on a calendar year basis, pro-rated during the first year at \$2 a month per unit for insurance approved after January 1. Underwritten by two commercial life insurance companies, the Occidental Life Insurance Co. of California and United States Life Insurance Co. in the City of New York. American Legion Life Insurance and Trust Fund is managed by trustees operating under the laws of Missouri. No other insurance may use the full words "American Legion." Administered by The American Legion Life Insurance Division, P.O. Box 5609, Chicago, Illinois 60680, to which write for further details.

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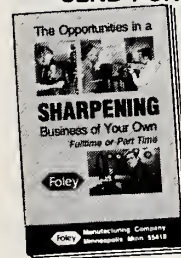
If you need only \$200 or \$400 extra income each month, a sharpening business is ideal for spare time. The additional dollars can be SPENT for more of the good things of life. Or they can be SAVED in a rainy-day fund that the family can bank on.

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# NEWS

FOR LEGIONNAIRES

## A Landmark Decision High Court Upholds Preference For Vets In Government Hiring

In a landmark decision, the Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of veterans' preference laws.

In effect, the court's 7 to 2 ruling insures the validity of laws of 46 states and the federal government guaranteeing preference in federal and state employment.

National Cdr. John M. (Jack) Carey, leader of the more than 2.6 million American Legionnaires, called the decision "a statement of allegiance to the veteran population by a grateful nation."

The case centered on a suit brought by a non-veteran state government woman employee to strike down the Massachusetts veterans' preference law because that preference served to deny her and others of her gender equal protection of the laws.

Veterans' preference, a system of recognition for service personnel that has been employed in the United States since the American Revolution, has recently been under attack from both special interest groups and the Carter Administration charging that such a system results in discrimination in employment procedures.

The Massachusetts statute, upheld by the high court, grants absolute preference over all other applicants

to qualified veterans seeking state civil service jobs.

"The American Legion is very pleased that the United States Supreme Court has upheld, in a case involving the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the principle of grateful government bodies providing preference in employment to veterans who have served their country honorably in time of war or national emergency," Commander Carey said. "The high court recognized that such preference in employment has never been intended to deny employment opportunity to any group whatsoever, only to provide preference for these veterans."

Carey added his congratulations to the Massachusetts Department of The American Legion "which joined officials of that state in pursuing the case that resulted in reaffirmation of this country's—and its state's—policy of veterans' preference."

## Commander Expresses 'Shock' to House on Panama Aid to Rebels

National Cdr. John M. (Jack) Carey expressed "shock" in a telegram to House Speaker Thomas F. (Tip) O'Neill and members of the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee concerning "Congressional testimony that the Government of Panama is involved in a calculated military effort to overthrow neighboring governments in Central America."

It has been reported that Panama has supplied and trained rebels seeking to depose the current Nicaraguan government. In addition, there is revolutionary ferment in El Salvador.

"The American Legion is shocked by these reports made during recent House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee hearings," said Carey, "that the Government of Panama is involved in a calculated military effort to overthrow neighboring governments in Central America.



Arthur P. Blanchard (left) has succeeded his father, William J. Blanchard Sr., as commander of Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040, Delmar, N.Y. Arthur is a Vietnam veteran while the senior Blanchard is a veteran of World War II and Vietnam.

## Alaska Hits All-Time High in Memberships

The Alaska Department of The American Legion celebrated D-Day by announcing its fourth consecutive year of an all-time high in membership. For 1979, the Department has 4,314 members.



Commerce, Tex. Post 1 Cdr. Bob Taylor welcomes Dr. Jessie Moore West, the post's first woman member. Taylor claims Post 1 was the first to be organized in Texas and the nation.

As National Commander of the organization, I believe that these findings bear greatly upon the pending legislation to implement the 1977 Panama Canal Treaties."

Carey continued in his wire: "We are mandated to encourage House insistence upon its Constitutional right to dispose of U.S. property and, as 'keeper of the nation's purse,' to continue its assertion of the right to refuse funds which will be required by many agencies of the U.S. Government in implementing the treaties.

"The American Legion remains convinced that the 1977 Panama Canal Treaties are contrary to the national interest of the United States. Neither U.S. taxpayers nor U.S. consumers should be forced to bear the financial burden of implementing legislation. I urge you to consider our position on the matter when casting your vote on the pending legislation."



## Legion Hails Go-Ahead on M-X Missile

The American Legion has given full endorsement to the Carter Administration decision to go ahead with the development of the M-X missile system.

National Cdr. John M. (Jack) Carey said:

"Announced plans for the development of the M-X missile system are soundly applauded by The American Legion as a method of helping to preserve a reasonable balance between United States and Soviet Union intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM) capabilities.

"The importance of such development is the survivability of the system under a possible attack, and the mobility of the system making the targeting of our missiles more difficult. The advantage of the M-X missile system is that it reduces the capability of the Soviets to eliminate our ICBM's on a first strike.

"The decision to proceed with the M-X system satisfies American Legion National Security Resolution 181."

Carey questioned only the timing of the announcement, coming just days before President Carter went to Vienna to sign the SALT II agreement with Soviet Leader Leonid Brezhnev.



*National Cdr. John M. (Jack) Carey discusses American Legion support of NATO with Gen. James R. Allen, USAF, chief of staff of Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE), during former's official visit to headquarters in Brussels, Belgium.*

## VA Expands Inquiry, Names New Advisory Group on Toxic Agents

A broadening of the inquiry into possible effects of the toxic Agent Orange on veterans who served in Vietnam has been announced by Veterans Administrator Max Cleland.

At the same time, Cleland announced the appointment of a 15-member Advisory Committee on Health Related Effects of Herbicides, including Dr. Irving B. Brick, senior medical consultant of The American Legion and professor of medicine at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

Supplementing Veterans Administration research in the matter of Agent Orange, which has been underway for more than a year, Cleland said other government agencies are or will be engaging in companion studies of populations most heavily exposed to herbicides similar to those sprayed in Vietnam from 1963 to 1971.

The Air Force will conduct a detailed study of some 1,200 servicemen and veterans who engaged in  
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*Legionnaires of West Seattle, Wash., Post 160 pitched in to ring bells for the Salvation Army, collecting almost \$1,400 for the needy. Participating, left to right front row, were Charles Fischer, Ira Scribner, George Prappas, Chairman John F. Tepich, Bob Tansey and Chuck Crane; back row, Dan Ferguson, Andy Sieber, James Scollard, Paul Kolzie and Clyde Cowan.*



*Colon-Couch Post 821, Clayton, N.Y., dedicates a plaque in memory of American servicemen who lost their lives during the Korean and Vietnam wars at the post home, matching a plaque honoring those who lost their lives in World Wars I and II. Members of the Auxiliary and Sons of the Legion also participated as did Clayton Mayor Robert Purcell.*



# NEWS

FOR LEGIONNAIRES



Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jones are named "Auxiliary Member and Legionnaire" of the month.



Coach Mendoza instructs young American team members how to use their heads in soccer.

## Husband-Wife Team Honored

In a deserved departure from tradition, a husband and wife team has been named "Legionnaire and Auxiliary Member" of the month.

This is the first time the selection has been shared. Honorees are Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Jones. He is a Life Member of Braxton-Perkins Post 25, Newport News, Va. Mrs. Maysel Jones is a Life Member of Auxiliary Unit 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones have contributed a total of some 23,000 hours of unpaid volunteer work at the Hampton, Va., Veterans hospital.

For this service, they were awarded the Colonial of Virginia District Service to Mankind Award by the Sertoma Club.

## Maine Adjutant Named Governor's Military Aid

Gov. Joseph E. Brennan of Maine has named American Legion State Adjutant Daniel E. Lambert to be his military aide-de-camp with the rank of colonel.

The new military aide to the Governor is a four-times wounded veteran of the famed "Darby's Rangers" of World War II and has served as department adjutant since 1975.

Lambert, a past state commander of the Maine American Legion, is the state secretary of the Maine Veterans Coordinating Committee and is the legislative director for the group.



Atlantic County, N.J., Cdr. Frank Hronesy presents a plaque to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Warren of Northfield, N.J., for sending more than 23,000 packages to servicemen during the last 13 years.

## Ayers Named Deputy Chief of Americanism

K. Michael Ayers was recently appointed deputy director of The American Legion's Americanism and Children & Youth Division, by the Legion's National Adjutant, Frank C. Momsen.

An Army veteran of the Vietnam era, Ayers will be responsible for a wide range of Americanism programs. In addition to his duties as Education Program Coordinator, involving four separate areas, Ayers will work with American Legion Baseball, National Oratorical, Boys Nation and others. Ayers will also be doing program planning and staff scheduling for the upcoming American Legion Regional Leadership conferences in September and October.—ALNS.

## Young Yanks Say "Si" to Soccer

Wherever there is an American Legion post, you can be sure a priority program centers on developing youth into solid American citizens.

A good example of this is American Legion Post 292, Madrid, Spain, which is sponsoring a soccer team composed of American youths 15 to 18 years of age, the majority of whom attend the American Forces high school in Torrejon, a suburb of Madrid.

The American team, the Raiders, so far has a record of seven wins, four losses and three ties in the tough Federación Española de Fútbol league for Madrid youth.

Legion member and a renowned soccer coach, Ricardo Mendoza, handles the Raiders. He is a procurement contracting specialist for the U.S. Air Force Base exchange at Torrejon.

Full support of the team is given by Post Cdr. Abdella Simon and Vice Cdr. James Gerke.

## Named to All-America

Gus Malespin, The American Legion's 1976 Baseball Player of the Year, has been selected to the American Association of College Baseball Coaches (AACBC) NCAA Division II All-America team. Malespin is presently playing as an outfielder for Southeastern Louisiana University.—ALNS.



## VA Expands Inquiry On Toxic Agents

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"Operation Ranch Hand" in Vietnam. The military personnel engaged in this operation were directly exposed to Agent Orange as they handled the herbicide containers and flew the spraying missions.

The purpose of this long-range study will be to determine if any causal relationship can be established between herbicide exposure and long-term health status. Data gathered on Ranch Hands will be compared to a large control group not exposed to herbicides. The Air Force estimates the study will take about six years.

In a joint study involving American and Italian scientists, the National Academy of Sciences is probing the consequences of a 1976 industrial accident in Seveso, Italy. The accident in a herbicide manufacturing plant heavily exposed 134 plant workers, and also exposed about 100,000 citizens when a gas cloud drifted over the area.

Cleland also revealed that good progress is being made in VA's search for a clinical procedure that might determine the presence of dioxin in human body fat. A VA pilot study in this area is expected to be completed this summer.

The 15-member advisory committee will be comprised of outstanding physicians and scientists and will also include a Vietnam combat veteran. The committee will monitor all research and claims activities involving Agent Orange.

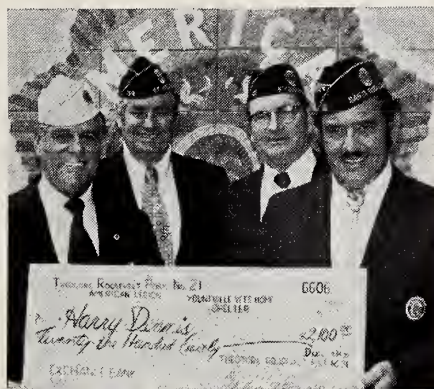
Research thus far has found no conclusive evidence that Agent Orange exposure causes long-term health effects. The only clearly related effect of Agent Orange established to date, he said, is chloracne, a skin rash developing immediately after or within a few months of exposure.

Cleland said VA continues to urge Vietnam veterans concerned about Agent Orange exposure to request a medical examination at any VA medical center. Veterans who feel any present disability is related to Agent Orange should call any VA regional office on toll-free lines for assistance in filing disability claims, he added.



Fort Orange Post 30, Albany, N.Y., honored 37 World War I surviving veterans. Sixteen are shown here as WWI Navy Bugler Al Phillips (inset) sounds "Assembly."

## KEEPING POSTED



Theodore Roosevelt Post 21, Santa Rosa, Calif., presented a check for \$2,100 to California department Area 1 Cdr. C. D. (Hank) Ondler to build one of seven bus-stop shelters for the Veterans Home at Yountville, Calif. From left are Ondler, past Dept. Cdr. Harry Dennis, District 5 Cdr. William Alexander and Cdr. Donald W. Morratto of Post 21.



The Last Man's Club of Luke-Greenway Post 1, Phoenix, Ariz., toasts fallen comrades. From left are George Vensel, 84, W. C. (Bill) Miller, 81, Clarence Burnett, 83, and Ivan Williams, 84.

## VA's Q&A CORNER

Following are representative questions answered daily by Veterans Administration counselors. Full information is available at any VA office.

**Q. I served in the U.S. Army during peacetime and had no service connected disability. Am I eligible for VA hospitalization?**

A. Veterans who are receiving retired pay or compensation may be provided necessary hospitalization on a space-available basis if they state under oath that they are unable to pay the expense of needed hospital care elsewhere. The "ability to pay" requirement does not apply to veterans 65 years of age or older or those receiving a VA pension.

**Q. Will the VA help with expenses caused by my leg brace tearing my clothing?**

A. Yes. A veteran receiving service-connected disability compensation for a disability which requires a prosthetic device (including wheelchairs) may receive an annual clothing allowance of \$218.00.

**Q. I have a VA education loan for \$1,000. I terminated my school training on Dec. 15, 1978, and entered an on-the-job training program. When must I begin repaying the education loan?**

A. Payments on your loan become due nine months from the date on which you terminated school training. Therefore, for a training program terminated on Dec. 15, 1978, the education loan becomes due Sept. 15, 1979.

**Q. What papers must a veteran submit in order to establish eligibility for a VA guaranteed home loan?**

A. He must submit his nearest VA assistance office originals or legible copies of his discharge or separation papers showing periods of military service and types of discharges. Also, obtain from VA and fill out a Request for Determination of Eligibility and Available Loan Guaranty Entitlement.



# NEWS

FOR LEGIONNAIRES

## TAPS

The Taps Notice mentions, whenever possible, those Legionnaires who have held high National or Department Office in the Legion, US government, or other forms of national prominence.

■  
**Spencer S. Boise**, past department commander of North Dakota (1935-36) died in Sun City, Ariz.

■  
**Quentin Windsor**, who attended the Paris Caucus in 1919, died in Los Angeles, Calif.

■  
**James L. Morse**, past department commander of Maine (1926-27) died in Bath, Maine.

■  
**David V. Addy**, 81, former Michigan Executive Committeeman (1938-41), and a leader in The American Legion's Child Welfare Program for 30 years, died in Detroit, Michigan.

■  
**Mrs. Ruth Brown**, wife of Legislative Commission Chairman Albert D. Brown, Jr., San Antonio, Texas, passed away June 8, 1979. Funeral services were conducted on Monday, June 11, with burial at Sam Houston Memorial Cemetery.

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**William G. Bray**, 75, a Legionnaire who spent nearly a quarter of a century in the U.S. House of Representatives, died in Martinsville, Ind.

## LIFE MEMBERSHIPS

The award of a life membership to a Legionnaire by a Post is a testimonial by those who know best that such a member has served The American Legion well.

Below are listed some of the previously unlisted life membership Post awards that have been reported to the editors.

**Benedict Maguire** (1979). Bagley-Fay Post 161, Southboro, Mass.

**Harris M. Henritzy** (1979). Dietrich-Luhman Post 360, Weatherly, Pa.

**Wesley Gordon**, **William Tomko** (1979). Euclid, Ohio, Post 343.

**Ed W. Murray**, **Ben O. Adamson**, **O. C. Hayward** (1969). Darris S. Schalk Post 322, Webb City, Mo.

**Roland Thibault**, **Arthur Plante** (1979). Le-Clair-Caron Post 13, Greenville, N.H.

**Noah L. Beesmyer**, **David E. Berkey**, **Henry F. Braun**, **Norbert J. Clancy**, **Clair C. Coates**, **Ray B. Denham**, **Robert A. Ellsworth**, **Harry W. Enger**, **A. B. Harrisberger**, **Robert E. Hayes**, **Russell B. Johnson**, **Daniel N. McEniry**, **Palmer O. Narveson**, **H. Hathaway Wright** (1979). Lugana Hills, Calif., Post 257.

**Richard R. Reichelt** (1979). Hamilton Post 20, Baltimore, Md.

**William J. Serviss**, **William M. Smith** (1979). Glendale, Ariz., Post 29.

**Anna S. Maney**, **Martha C. Simpson** (1979). Tampa, Fla., Women's Post 134.

**Herbert R. Faulks** (1978), **John Kidd** (1979). McKinlock Post 264, Lake Forest, Ill.

**Carl Amundson**, **Emil Fankhanel**, **Harry Faulkner**, **Enoch J. Johnson**, **Erick Jorgenson**, **Edward Max**, **Edwin L. Nelson**, **Melvin Ouse**, **William C. Schultz** (Effective 1980). Ellingson-Brenden Post 376, Rothsay, Minn.

**Rev. Edwin H. Hakel**, **Burt Anderson** (1978). Nelsan-Horton Post 104, Litchfield, Minn.

**Gilbert J. Schmitz**, **Elwood Smith**, **Frank E. Wilson**, (1977), **Howard H. Arbury**, **Marvin Stein** (1978). Berryhill Post 165, Midland, Mich.

**Marvin F. Moyer** (1979). Victory Post 25, Selinsgrove, Pa.

**Romanus H. Lutz** (1979), Post 6, Prescott, Ariz.

**William D. Sutcliffe** (1978), Post 661, Ben Lomond, Calif.

**Frank M. Nosal** (1979), Post 74, Fairfield, Conn.

**Raymond M. Mottl** (1979), Post 110, Port Charlotte, Fla.

**Thomas E. Agin** (1979), Post 119, Largo, Fla.

**Elmer Grinaldi** (1978), **Clarence S. Rowe** (1979), Post 334, Tampa, Fla.

**Stanley Gustafson**, **Ben Hadad**, **Clarence Rosing**, **Alexander Berdnick**, **Roy Lucke**, **Henry Nauer**, **Ralph Buikema**, **Charles Kemf**, **Ralph Poulsen**, **Eugene Heir**, **Earle Trier**, **Whitfield Campbell**, **Richard Orlovski**, **Jack Zanin** (all 1978), Post 703, Fox Lake, Ill.

**Harold G. Trecker** (1978), Post 694, Arcadia, Ia.

**Irwin H. Limberg**, **Henry J. Guidry, Jr.** (1979), Post 203, New Orleans, La.

**Richard R. Reichelt** (1979), Post 20, Baltimore, Md.

**James C. Woodbury** (1978), Post 345, Lynn, Mass.

**Chester A. Leighton** (1979), Post 379, Boxford, Mass.

**Roy H. Houk**, **Charles Meggers**, **Chris M. Miller** (1974), **Richard R. Guice, Sr.** (1975),

**Albert L. Mangin** (1977), **Joe B. Hawkins, Sr.**, **William E. Henry**, **Harry Joachim**, **G. D. Jenk**, **Frank Nichols** (1979), Post 33, Biloxi, Miss.

**Alva C. Gaudin, Sr.**, **Ernest A. Irvine**, **Homer Lunbeck** (1970), **Kenneth F. Lewis** (1979), Post 558, Malta Bend, Mo.

**William W. McNamara**, **Calvin E. Walck** (1979), Post 35, Union, N.J.

**Norman D. Carney** (1978), Post 82, Millville, N.J.

**Anthony Natoli**, **Fred Gordon** (1978), Post 147, Elmwood Park, N.J.

**Michael Erceg** (1978), **Russell o'Dea** (1977), **Clarence Wiands**, **Orville Whitaker** (1975), **Vernon Tymeson** (1976), Post 72, Saugerties, N.Y.

**Nick Crisculo**, **Roger Lamm**, **Wesley Woodland** (1973), **Louis Sick** (1971), Post 155, Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y.

**Edward L. Maass**, **Roy Wiedersum** (1979), Post 303, Rockville Centre, N.Y.

**Harry S. Boyd**, **James H. Gerrety** (1979), Post 332, Batavia, N.Y.

**James W. Morton** (1979), Post 659, Ellicottville, N.Y.

**Clarence J. Colson** (1977), **Peter J. Burek**, **James Halloran** (1978), Post 1593, South Dayton, N.Y.

**Albert R. Hayes**, **Robert G. Patchen**, **Willard E. Zellers** (1979), Post 290, Columbiana, Oh.

**Lloyd Speicher** (1979), Post 674, Windham, Oh.

**Floyd Morris** (1979), Post 101, Carlisle, Pa.

**James C. Ebbert** (1977), **Lee H. Shuttles** (1978), **V. George Banas**, **John Keithan**, **LeRoy Mease**, **Daniel L. Miller**, **Russell Schanely**, **Paul B. Schulz** (1979), Post 242, Quakertown, Pa.

**Frank N. Martocci** (1975), **Nickolas C. Vrontis** (1976), **Leonard Camilletti** (1977), **Onorio Cerino** (1978), **Lorence Capobianco** (1979), Post 750, Roseto, Pa.

**Henry Howey**, **William Myers** (1979), Post 851, Dingmans Ferry, Pa.

**Willie H. McCormack** (1979), Post 91, Blackville, S.C.

**Cleo Baker** (1971), **Frank A. Blake** (1973), **Lester J. Brown**, **Paul A. Kolze** (1975), **Martin I. Mjelleli**, **George B. Prappas** (1976), **Robert Crisler** (1977), **Charles Gaupp**, **Orville A. Rummel** (1978), **Ralph Hubert** (1979), Post 160, Seattle, Wash.

**Bonn Brown** (1979), Post 29, Elkins, W. Va.

**Michael John**, **Peter M. Jentges**, **Edward J. Huhnstock**, **William L. Helberg** (1973), **Charles L. Larson** (1978), Post 82, Port Washington, Wis.

**Stephen B. Tanner** (1978), **Theodore B. Graham**, **William A. Epperson, Jr.** (1979), Post 3, Gatun, Canal Zone.

**W. Elmer Brown**, **William S. Bruhn**, **Frank Mason**, **Mel Woodward** (1979), Post 142, Fullerton, Calif.

**William C. Weir** (1979), Post 267, McGregor, Iowa.

**Gerard A. Desjardins**, **John W. Hayes**, **Robert**

**E. Williams** (1979), Post 158, Lisbon, Maine.

**James Davies** (1978), Post 24, Frostburg, Md.

**Herb Cornwell**, **Robert C. Palmer** (1974), **Jerry A. Gwaltney** (1976), **William A. Paxson** (1978), **Thomas S. Riale** (1968), **Zaley F. Brammer** (1979), Post 194, Rising Sun, Md.

**Wells F. Castle**, **Allen Lake**, **Fred Rossman** (1979), Post 457, North Branch, Mich.

**Joe G. Cimenski** (1975), **Joe A. Mroska** (1979), Post 137, Royalton, Minn.

**Loren D. Borchard** (1978), **Lloyd H. Gerth** (1979), Post 216, Princeton, Minn.

**Stewart M. Paulson**, **Clinton B. Hanscom** (1979), Post 472, Minneapolis, Minn.

**Byron R. Jarrell**, **Alvin A. LeDuke**, **Larry Mason** (1974), **Francis P. LeBatard**, **Roy Moon** (1975), **John M. Wallace** (1978), **Robert L. Warren**, **Elbert F. Kostmayer** (1979), Post 33, Biloxi, Miss.

**Benjamin F. Kwiat**, **Stanley Tomczyk**, **Henry Lesnick**, **Michael Pohrschak**, **Joseph Ruda** (1979), Post 359, Passaic, N.J.

**Harold Bennett** (1971), **Harold Farrell** (1972), **James Gage**, **Henry Genthner** (1973), **Harold Swart**, **James J. Maines** (1974), Post 72, Saugerties, N.Y.

**Russell Congdon** (1978), Post 404, Vernon, N.Y.

**John Sheppard** (1979), Post 421, Long Island, N.Y.

**James Morano**, **John J. Lavin** (1979), Post 1120, Lindenhurst, N.Y.

**Argus L. Ryker** (1979), Post 135, Tahlequah, Okla.

**Michael J. Conte**, **Robert T. King** (1972), **Harry Miller** (1961), **Edward J. Brown** (1962), **Joseph I. Abel** (1975), Post 21, Philadelphia, Pa.

**Nels Jensen** (1979), Post 22, Rapid City, S. Dak.

**William S. Ohnemus** (1979), Post 164, Spearfish, S. Dak.

**Mary R. Meister** (1978), Post 52, La Crosse, Wis.

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They may get form by sending stamped, self-addressed return envelope to:

"L. M. Form American Legion Magazine, P.O. Box 1055, 700 Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis, Ind. 46206.

On a corner of the return envelope write the number of names you wish to report. No written letter necessary to get forms.



with a full field pack on while stationed at Camp Wheeler, Macon, Georgia in 1945. Contact CID 592.

**Naval Hospital.** David Q. Vaughn needs witnesses to verify a claim that while stationed at Jacksonville Naval Hospital during 1959, he suffered a nervous breakdown after transporting a body to the morgue. Contact CID 593.

## Who? What? Where?

**Milton Hood**, Box 72, West Hempstead, N.Y., 11552, wants to hear from those stationed in Co. K, Ft. Devens, Mass., in January, 1951.

**Umberto A. Pirri**, 861 Newcombe Ave., St. Paul, Minn., 55106, wants members of C Btry., 265th Field Arty., WWII, to contact him.

**Thomas A. Shipman**, 4159 Garden Ave., Los Angeles, Calif., 90039, would like to hear from members of 39th Div., Btry. B 140th Field Arty., WWI.

**Elvin L. Kreider**, 112 Locust Ln., Willow Street, Pa., 17584, would like to hear from those who served with him aboard the USS HEALY DD 672.

**Robert E. Simonds Sr.**, 5114 Mangum Rd., College Park, Md., 20740, would like to hear from anyone who served with him in 1943 at the 851st Signal Service Co., Detachment 2.

**Howard A. McGee**, Rt. 1, Dundee, N.Y., 14837, would like to hear from survivors of the Bataan on their impressions of the then Japanese commander, General Homma.

**Fred W. Kardoskee**, 103 Cedar Ave., Oconto Falls, Wis., 54154, would like to contact those who served as interpreters at Camp Hale, Colo., during WWII.

**Vernon L. Ardiffe**, Box 118, Sunnymead, Calif., 92388, would like to hear from former members who served at Dry Tortugas, Fla., Clipperton Island in the Northeast Pacific during 1944-45.

**Albert A. Kopp**, Rt. 8, Box 511, Rapid City, S. Dak., 57701, would like to contact those who served with the 28th Bomb Wing Sq., from 1947-57.

**Gerald Bennett**, Rt. 1, Box 145, Wynne, Ark., 72396, would like all members of Co. L, 7th Inf., 3rd Div., that left Ft. Ord in September, 1942, to contact him.

**Olfin Schmidt**, 9800 Lakeford Ln., St. Louis, Mo., 63123, wants two 20th Air Force patches from WWII.

**William B. Vinson**, 483 E. 20th St., Hialeah, Fla., 33011, wants to hear from those who served or boxed with him in 1936-37 or anyone who was hospitalized with him at Gorgus Hosp., Panama, in late-1937.

**Joseph E. Motel**, 827 E. 6th St., Bethlehem, Pa., 18015, would like to hear from anyone who served in the 4th Inf. Div.

**Percy R. Johnson**, 401 Del Mar Ave., Apt. C3, San Clemente, Calif., 92672, would like to contact anyone who served with him in the 36th Co., U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, Class 2D, WWI.

**Henry Rosypol**, 316 E. Vine St., Millville, N.J., 08332, would like to hear from shipmates who served with him on the USS MELVIN CLUB DD 680, for a possible reunion.

**Frank Hale**, 175 S. 11th St., Weirton, W. Va., wants former members of the 4th CAP medical detachment, 4th Corps Arty. Park in Germany during WWI, to contact him.

**Robert D. Parcell**, 705 N. Main St., Napanee, Ind., 46550, wants to update his mailing list of those former members of the 52nd Combat Eng. Bn.

**Lloyd R. Meredith**, 607 Bain Rd., Savannah, Tenn., 38372, would like to have anyone who may have served with his late father, Archie Milton Fobes, in Troyes, France during WWI, to contact him.

**Manuel F. Garcia**, 302 E. Gore St., Pharr, Tex., 78577, would like to hear from those who served in Co. G, 2nd Bn., 9th Inf. Div., between 1942-45.

**Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Philippart**, 1A Devant Rosiere, 4050 Esneux, Belgium, will be visiting the U.S. this summer and would like to hear from some of the GIs they housed during WWI.

**Rodney K. Jones**, 2425 42nd Ave., Meridian, Miss., 39301, would like to hear from former members of A Btry., 312nd Field Arty., 79th Div.

**William L. Slater**, 219 Dickinson St., Springfield, Ill., 62704, would like to hear from those who once served with Co. G, 315th Inf., 79th Div.

**John P. Lane**, Rt. 1, Box 327, Chesterfield, Mo. 63017, wants those attached to the 125th Eng. Combat Bn. during WWI, to contact him.

A nationwide one-legged amputee shoe-trading

drive has been formed by a Veteran's group. Match up that extra shoe with a person having the same foot size in another part of the country. For additional information write to: Vermill Stalberg, 1224 Yew St., Bellingham, Wash. 98225.

**W. Roy Taylor**, 311 Pinefield Dr., Greenville, S.C. 29605, wants to contact anyone assigned to Btry. B, 263rd Coast Arty., Ft. Moultrie, S.C. in 1941, to notify him.

**Amherst Masons**, 12 Sylvia Heights St., Hadley, Mass. 01035, would like to correspond with those attached to D Btry., 738th AAA Bn. during WWII.

**Donald C. Powell**, 1356 10th Ave., Longmont, Colo. 80501, would like to contact WWII veterans whose fathers served in the Civil War.

**Ed Wilson**, 4906 Wendover Blvd., Alexandria, La. 71301, wants to hear from members of Flight C, 12th Observation Sq. stationed at Ft. Sil, Okla., in 1941.

**Ray C. Martin**, Hamilton, N. Dak. 58238, would like to get in touch with those who served with him at Navy Sq. YP 74 during WWII.

**James D. Bowman**, 100 Benedict Blvd., Croton-on-Hudson, N.Y., 10520, would like to hear from members of the 3103rd Signal Service Bn., stationed in Europe during WWII.

**Joseph L. DeSario**, 31 Steuben St., Staten Island, N.Y., 10304, is interested in forming a reunion with those from the 8th Air Force, Little Dunham, England.

## OUTFIT REUNIONS

Reunion will be held in month indicated. For particulars write person whose address is given.

Notices accepted on official forms only. For form send stamped, addressed return envelope to O. R. Form, American Legion Magazine, P. O. Box 1055, 700 Pennsylvania St., Indianapolis, Ind., 46206. Notices should be received at least five months before scheduled reunion. No written letter necessary to get form.

Earliest submission favored when volume of requests is too great to print all.

## Army

**6th Ord (MM) Co.** (Sept). Lawrence Hargrafen, Rt. 2, Box 36, Dyersville, Ia., 52040.

**7th Field Arty.** (Sept). Wladyslaw Dudek, 11 Egan St., Enfield, Conn., 06082.

**15th Major Port T.C.** (Sept). Roland O. Schaeffer, 1805 Sybil Ct., St. Louis, Mo., 63125.

**17th Signal Oper. Bn.** (Sept). E. F. Hofmeister, 710 Crown Ave., Scranton, Pa., 18505.

**18th Coast Arty.** (Sept). Charles F. Justus, 625 Yaronia Dr., Columbus, Oh., 43214.

**27th Division Assn.** (Sept). PNC George M. Criscione, 64 Green Island Ave., Latham, N.Y., 12110.

**46th Ordnance Co.** (Sept). Robert Garner, Rt. #3, Jamestown, Ky., 42629.

**46th Tank Bn.** (Sept). James B. Teel, 1562 Champlin Dr., St. Louis, Mo., 63136.

**54th Signal Bn.** (Sept). Walter L. Scheid, Box 699, Lewistown, Mont., 59457.

**87th Engrs. Bn.** (Sept). Ralph G. Wilson, 54 Nakota, Clawson, Mich., 48017.

**87th Infantry Div.** (Sept). Gladwin A. Pascuzzo, 2374 N. Dundee Ct., Highland, Mich., 48031.

**100th Infantry Div.** (Sept). Anthony F. Tom, 25 Luanne Rd., Stratford, Conn., 06497.

**103rd Medical Bn.**, 28th Inf. Div. (Sept). Robert F. Goldsmith, 37 Farmbrook Dr., Levittown, Pa., 19055.

**123rd General Hospital** (Sept). Dr. T. J. Glennon, 82 Arlington Rd., Woburn, Ma., 01801.

**132nd General Hosp. Veteran's Assn.** (Sept). John Schoeph, 907 N. 18th Ave., Melrose Park, Ill., 60160.

**137th Signal Radio Int. Co.** (Sept). Harry J. Meehan, 464 Eldert Ln., Brooklyn, N.Y. 11208.

**162nd Infantry, 41st Div.** (Sept). Frank Poundstone, 4044 N.E. Failing St., Portland, Ore., 97211.

**187th Signal Repair Co.** (Sept). John W. Sheridan, 115 Firestone Dr., Rochester, N.Y., 14624.

**202nd Coast Arty. AA & 202nd Air Defense Arty.** (Sept). MSG (Ret) Roger S. McCabe, 7400 Edgemere Blvd., El Paso, Tex., 79925.

**206th C.A. A.A.** (Sept). Jake Gates, 20 Templin Dr., Little Rock, Ark., 72205.

**246th VA Nat'l Coast Arty.** (Sept). Ray Cross, 1209 Kerns Ave. S.W., Roanoke, Va., 24015.

**250th Coast Arty.** (Sept). Harry E. Beare, 223 Madrid St., San Francisco, Cal., 94112.

**251st Sta. Hosp.**, 40th Inf. Div. (Sept). Lloyd R. Crouse, 217 N. Main St., Johnstown, Oh., 43031.

**255th F.A. Bn.** (Sept). Marvin M. George, 44 N. Jackson Ave., E2, San Jose, Ca., 95116.

**255th Field Arty.** (Sept). Howard W. Jones, 210 Bridge St., Tunkhannock, Pa., 18657.

**272nd Field Arty. Bn.** (Sept). Ralph Browne, 19 Howe St., Boston, Mass., 02125.

**295th Q.M. Salv. Co.** (Sept). Jack Salerno, 396 Rawlinson Rd., Rochester, N.Y. 14617.

**322nd Field Arty.** (Sept). C. W. Fitzpatrick, 225 W. 1st St., Dayton, Oh., 45402.

**334th Station Hosp.** (Sept). William S. Jennings, 6625 St. Rd. 28 W., Lafayette, Ind., 47905.

**343rd General Hosp. (Korean War)** (Sept). Ruth K. Schairer, 155 Ballantyne Rd., Apt. 100B, Syracuse, N.Y., 13205.

**377th Harbor Craft Co.** (Sept). Charles W. Messick, Rt. 1, Box 292, Westover, Md., 21871.

**508th Parachute Inf. Regt.** (Sept). Hank LeFebre, 618 W. Ocean Front, Balboa, Cal., 92661.

**531st Engr. Shore Regt., 1st Engr. Special Brigade** (Sept). Richard J. Ready, 84 Selwyn St., Roslindale, Mass., 02131.

**550th Airborne Inf.** (Sept). Vincent W. Kelleher, 243 Lexington Ave., New York, N.Y., 10016.

**564th Ord. Co. H.M. TK.** (Sept). Dean W. Wright, 1721 Belle Ave., Cedar Falls, Ia., 50613.

**598th S.A.W. Bn.** (Sept). Gerald L. Moore, 1 Gladesworth Dr., Greenville, S.C., 29615.

**605th Tank Destroyer Bn.** (Sept). Ted Brush, 1114 Phillips Ave., Mays Landing, N.J., 08330.

**611th OBAM Bn.** (Sept). Anthony Matteo, 68 Cassella Dr., Hamden, Conn., 06514.

**622nd Engrs. Co.** (Sept). Ernest F. Rode, 36 Swan Dr., Pittsburgh, Pa., 15237.

**627th Medical Co.** (Sept). W. H. Sherburne, Box 20, Fremont, Ind., 46737.

**722nd Railway Oper. Bn.** (Sept). Robert B. Seeley, 527 Gaines St., Elmira, N.Y. 14904.

**806th Chemical Co.** (Sept). Ed Krider, 7054 Lansdowne, St. Louis, Mo., 63109.

**838th Ord. Depot Co.** (Sept). Bernard A. Kersting, 450 Bower Hill Rd., Pittsburgh, Pa., 15228.

**894th Ord. H.A.M. Co.** (Sept). W. J. Sullivan, 1270 W. 29th St., San Bernardino, Calif., 92405.

**989th Field Arty. Bn.** (Sept). C. D. Manaugh, 243 Crowe St., Hanover, Ind., 47243.

**3205 Base & Supply Depot** (Sept). F. C. Gardner, P.O. Box 14, San Pedro, Cal., 90733.

**3499th Ordnance Co.** (Sept). Rod J. Cowgill, 3504 Gladden Dr., Louisville, Ky., 40218.

**Btry. "A", 110th Field Arty., 29th Div.** (Sept). Hank Crawford, 2030 Flintshire Rd., Apt. 201, Baltimore, Md., 21237.

**Company "A", 16th Inf. Bn. & Co. "D", 59th Regt.** (Sept). Petro Holovach, 1003 N. 7th St., Garden City, Kans., 67846.

**Company "A-T", 321st RCT.** (Sept). Red Colton, 59 Irving Pl., Staten Island, N.Y., 10304.

**Company "B", 634th T.D. Bn.** (Sept). Max H. Diddy, 1408 Evelyn St., Perry, Ia., 50220.

**Battery "C", 59th Field Arty., 6th Div.** (Sept). Acte Loper, 335 W. Seminole Ave., Eustis, Fla., 32726.

**Company "C", 60th Signal Bn.** (Sept). Harold B. Vance, 4407 Avenue "L", Ft. Madison, Ia., 52627.

**Company "C", 61st Inf., 10th Div.** (Sept). Winston A. Douglas, 309 S. Jackson, Pierre, S.D., 57501.

**Battery "C", 99th Field Arty.** (Sept). James E. McGinnis, 3821 Frederick St., Youngstown, Oh., 44515.

**Battery "C", 347th F.A. Bn.** (Sept). Daniel J. McCarthy, 2851 S. King Dr., Apr. 702, Chicago, Ill., 60618.

**Battery "C", 347th Arty., 91st Div.** (Sept). Ervin Spaeth, 911 Bailey St., Jackson, Minn., 56143.

**Battery "C", 384th F.A., 103rd Inf. Div.** (Sept). John J. Kendall, 300 10th Ave., Santa Cruz, Calif., 95062.

**Battery "C", 776th Field Arty. Bn.** (Sept). Walter V. Peternell, 4162 Bridlewood Dr., Akron, Oh., 44321.

**Battery "D", 243rd Coast Arty.** (Sept). Charles E. Brothers, 48 Jastram St., Providence, R.I., 02908.

**Company "D", 105th Engrs., 30th Inf. Div.** (Sept). Bill Carter, Rt. 2, Denver, N.C., 28037.

**Company "G", 119th Inf. Regt., 30th Div.** (Sept). Richard W. Farll, Box 288, Union City, Pa., 16438.

**Company "G", 152nd Inf., 35th Div.** (Sept). Fred Goff, R.R. 3, Box 37, New Castle, Ind., 47362.

**Company "M", 1st Div., 18th Inf.** (Sept). Hugo Luparelli, P.O. Box 43, Peck Slip Station, N.Y., 10038.

**Society of the 5th Division** (Sept). John H. Pflaum, 170 Evergreen, Elmhurst, Ill., 60126.



# NEWS

FOR LEGIONNAIRES

## OUTFIT REUNIONS

### Army

3rd Infantry Division (Sept). Col. James K. Watts, 622 Strings St., San Antonio, Tex. 78216.

12th Corps Arty. ETO (Sept). Robert Watson, S. Hwy. 65, Cambridge, Minn. 55008.

21st Chemical Co. (Sept). Deloss F. Perisho, R.R. 5, Paris, Ill. 61944.

35th Division Assn. (Sept). William E. Withrow, P.O. Box 4022, Topeka, Kans. 66604.

65th Division Assn. (Sept). Fred J. Cassata, 123 Dorchester Rd., Buffalo, N.Y. 14213.

70th Engr. L.P. Co. (Sept). Edward Soper, 124 Byrne St., Staten Island, N.Y. 10314.

103rd General Hospital (Sept). Harold J. Head, 3714 D Mayberry Ave., Baltimore, Md. 21206.

123rd F. A. Regt., 33rd Division (Sept). Ernest Day, Box 1, Abingdon, Ill. 61410.

183rd F.A. Bn. (Sept). G. K. Brittain, 25 Lakewood Hts. Dr., Lakewood, Colo. 80215.

201st Association (Sept). Ted J. Straub, P.O. Box 201, Morgantown, W. Va. 26505.

252nd F.A. Bn. (Sept). Leonard Doelder, 3702 S. 8th, Sheboygan, Wis. 53081.

347th F.A. Bn., 91st Division (Sept). Dale Marchbanks, 423 Depot St., Oswego, Kans. 67256.

355th Inf. Society (Sept). Dr. Paul Fleming, Beaver City, Nebr. 68926.

710th Tank Bn. (Sept). Mike Mezzacappa, 22 Andrews St., Staten Island, N.Y. 10503.

741st Engrs. Base Equip. Co. (Sept). Merle A. Grigsby, Box 113, Idaville, Ind. 47950.

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Co. "E", 29th Inf. Div., 116th Infantry (Sept). Edward R. Bollinger, 1405 Terrace Ave., Hopewell, Va. 23860.

Co. "E", 34th Div., 133rd Infantry (Sept). Darwin Ferguson, 909 N. Terrace Dr., Webster City, Iowa 50595.

37th Ordinance Co. (Oct). Tony Gailles, 218 Radcliffe St., Pittsburgh, Pa. 15204.

47th Tr. Carrier Sq., 313th Tr. Carrier Group (Oct). Oliver L. West, 216 Meadowbrook Rd., Trafford, Pa. 15085.

52nd Medical Bn. (Oct). Arthur G. Midboe, 10 Kingsley Ct., Bricktown, N.J. 08723.

62nd Engineer Co. (Oct). Henry J. McMillan, 118 S. Fourth St., Wilmington, N.C. 28401.

66th F.A. Brigade (Oct). Richard Martin, 12105 S.W. 72nd Ave., Portland, Ore. 97223.

69th Station Hospital (Oct). Jesse Baschkopf, 435 E. 14th St., New York City, N.Y. 10009.

91st Chemical MTR. Vets. (Oct). Findley G. Hoffman, 137 West Falls Rd., West Falls, N.Y. 14170.

99th Infantry Bn. Sep. (Ski Bn.) (Oct). Arne T. Thomassen, Box 125, Granada, Minn. 56039.

106th F.A. Vets. Assn. (Oct). Donald G. Barnes, 19 Deborah Ln., Cheektowaga, N.Y. 14225.

118th Medical Bn., 43rd Division (Oct). John "Robbie" Robertson, 132 Meadow Ave., Cumberland, R.I. 02864.

121st Q.M. Car. Co. (Oct). Harold C. Casper, 556 State St., Hamburg, Pa. 19526.

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131st Q.M. Truck Co. (Oct). Harold C. Casper, 556 State St., Hamburg, Pa. 19526.

167th AAA Gun Bn. (Oct). Thomas S. Lodge, 2 Fols Crescent, New Castle, Del. 19720.

200th Q.M. Gas Co., 4th Div., 8th Infantry (Oct). Stanley Meyer, 625 Lake Ave., Oradell, N.J. 07649.

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405th AAA Gun Bn. (Oct). Warren E. Dillard, 2033 10th St. N.W., Roanoke, Va. 24012.

450th Engineers (Oct). William W. Wilt, Box 654, Claremont, N.H. 03743.

518th Military Police Bn. (Oct). Michael Weiner, 66 Wiggins Ave., Patchogue, N.Y. 11772.

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Co. "B", 505th M.P. Bn. (Oct). Samuel J. Ruff, 166 Butler Ave., Staten Island, N.Y. 10307.

Co. "C", 506th Parachute Inf., 101st A/B Division (Oct). Joe Reed, 1960 Highlawn Ave., Youngstown, Ohio 44509.

Co. "E", 335th Engrs. Regt. (Oct). W. J. Murphy, 242 Blackhawk Dr., Stockton, Ill. 61085.

Battery "G", 263rd CAC (Oct). Toy Taylor, 311 Pinefield Dr., Greenville, S.C. 19605.

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United States Army Ambulance Ser. Assn. (Oct). P.N.C. Thomas H. Ellis, 209 E. Maple Ave., Merchantville, N.J. 08109.

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28th Bomb. Wing (Sept). Deane Curry, Rt. 8, Box 511, Rapid City, S.D., 57701.

64th Trp. Carrier Grp. (Sept). Roger D. Coleson, Box 205G, Nanjemoy, Md. 20662.

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362nd FTR Grp. (Sept). William K. Marles, 2838 Blue Brick Dr., Nashville, Tenn. 37214.

397th Bomb. Grp. (Sept). Earl Udick, 710 W. Cheyenne Rd., Colorado Springs, Colo., 80906.

429th Split Arrow Sq., 2nd Bomb. Grp., 15th Air Force (Sept). Wilbur W. Brown, 108 S. Crawford St., Danville, Ill., 61832.

500th Service Sq. (Sept). Joseph A. Bell, Jr., 553 Tuna Marina Village, Corpus Christi, Tex., 78418.

China-Burma-India Hump Pilots Assn. (Sept). Herbert O. Fisher, 628 Mountain Rd., Smoke Rise, Kinnelon, N.J., 07405.

Lemoore Air Base Medical Det. (Sept). Joe Brown, 221 Sacramento St., Coalinga, Cal., 93210.

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500th Bomb Sqdn. (Sept). William J. Cavoli, 4314 Planters Ct., Annadale, Va. 22003.

7th Airdrome Sqdn., 13th Air Force (Oct). S. G. "Tank" Page, 7979 Mitchell Farm Ln., Cincinnati, Ohio 45242.

8th Air Force (Oct). Elmer Fessler, 3911 N.W. 173rd Terrace, Opa-Locka, Fla. 33055.

16th Air Service Sqdn. (Oct). Gerald Guillot, Box 1065, Reserve, La. 70084.

75th Air Service Grp. (Oct). Fred B. Blagg, 117 Kenwood Pl., Hot Springs, Ark. 71901.

94th Bomb. Group (Oct). W. S. Winneshiek, 159 Antigua Dr., Cocoa Beach, Fla. 32921.

305th Bomb. Grp., 8th Air Force England (Oct). Abe Miller, Box 757, Sanger, Tex. 76266.

351st Bomb. Grp., 8th Air Force England (Oct). Ben Schohan, 398 Catawba Ave., Westerville, Ohio 43081.

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62nd NCB (Sept). Thomas B. Parker, So. Fourth St. Box 122, Warsaw, Ky. 41095.

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69th Naval Construction Bn. (Oct). Edward Kondracki, 176 Ohio St., Hicksville, N.Y. 11801.

USS Bell DD587 (Oct). Wally Moore, 190 Dartmouth Dr., Canfield, Ohio 44406.

USS Charger CVE30 (Oct). S. S. "Nick" Salamone, 8802 Ridge Blvd. Apr. C-1, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11209.

USS Fletcher DD445 (Oct). Keith E. Snyder, RD 1, Box 167E, Keeseville, N.Y. 12944.

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USS Major DE796 (Oct). J. V. Sheldon, R.D. 3, Box 318, Dillsburg, Pa. 17019.

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USS Nicholas (Oct). Richard X. Sheehan, RFD 4, Box 474, Laconir, N.H. 03246.

USS Osterhaus DE164 (Oct). Raymond Farris, 9021 Ohio Pl., Highland, Ind. 46322.

USS Paul Hamilton DD590 (Oct). Norm Huddler, 5231 Jaycee Ave. #28, Ashtabula, Ohio 44004.

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USS YMS478 (Oct). Charles W. Nelson, R. D. 3, Box 595, Toms River, N.J. 08753.

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# Books

## Lures That Catch Fish

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**A Time To Heal**, by Gerald R. Ford. HARPER & ROW, \$12.95. In his autobiography, our nation's 38th President recaptures the many years prior to his Presidency and the few, fateful ones after he became President.

**Energy: The Created Crisis**, by Anthony C. Sutton. BOOKS IN FOCUS, \$10.95. An analysis of the current energy situation, placing stress on bringing order out of what the author believes is presently purposeful confusion.

**Japan As Number One**, by Ezra F. Vogel. HARVARD UNIV. PRESS, \$12.50. A thoughtful appraisal of how and why Japan has developed into the effective industrial power that she is today, and what lessons we might learn from her success.

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**The Eagle Squadrons: Yanks In The RAF, 1940-1942**, by Vern Haugland. ZIFF-DAVIS BOOKS, \$12.95. A history of the 245 Yanks who flew with the RAF in WWII, of whom about one in three went down in flames.

**U-Boat War**, by Lothar-Gunther Buchheim. BANTAM BOOKS, paper, \$8.95. A gripping, pictorial document, with text, of life aboard a German Navy submarine during WWII.

**Modern Survival: Outdoor Gear and Savvy To Bring You Back Alive**, by Dwight R. Schuh. DAVID MCKAY, PUB., \$9.95. A self-help book in survival techniques that will be of particular aid to the weekend or vacation-time outdoorsman.

**The Rise Of Theodore Roosevelt**, by Edmund Morris. COWARD, MCCANN & GEOGHEGAN, \$15.95. The early years of Theodore Roosevelt's dynamic, varied career which led to his becoming at age 42, our nation's youngest President.

**The Freshwater Angler's Clinic**, by Capt. Hal Schary. SIMON & SCHUSTER, \$9.95. A question and answer guide to freshwater fishing.

Word of Lauri Rapala's "wooden fish" spread through Finland and other anglers started buying and using his plugs. He made his plugs by hand and soon had people from two villages working for him and making his plugs. Then he started shipping his Rapalas to various parts of the world. Some of these ended up in Minnesota and Wisconsin where many Finnish immigrants lived. They used his lure and caught a lot of fish, but kept it a secret for many years.

Then two Minneapolis anglers—Ray Ostrom and Ron Weber found out about the plug. They saw the Rapala's great potential and formed a partnership, now called the Normark Corporation to sell the plug in North America. Life magazine wrote up the Rapala plug in the August 17, 1962 issue and the demand for the lure skyrocketed. They were in such short supply for a while that eager anglers gladly paid ten dollars for one Rapala plug. Some of these plugs were actually advertised for rent at \$5.00 per day!

Today the Rapalas are still being made from balsa wood in Finland but now they are manufactured in a modern plant. Each plug is "swim-tested" in a tank the same way as Lauri Rapala used to do with his first models. And each plug requires 30 manufacturing steps before it is completed. Rapalas are now being made in many sizes and in floating, deep-running and sinking types for most fresh water and many salt water fish. They have sold in the millions and have been copied and imitated by many other fishing tackle companies. Most of these imitations are being made from light and buoyant plastics.

In recent years a plug that has proven deadly for black bass and other fresh water fish is the so-called "crankbait". This is a short, stubby, fat plug with a big plastic lip that makes it dive and run to various depths depending on the model. It is usually reeled very fast to make it dive deep and give it a snappy vibrating action that appeals to fish. Actually a few of these plugs such as the Bomber and Hellbender have been around for years but have become popular only in the last few years. Crankbaits are now being made by many tackle companies and include such models as the Rebel

Super-R, Norman's Baby "N", and Roger's Deep Jim.

Another old lure that has been used from way back is the spoon. It dates back to the time when primitive man fashioned spoon-type lures from shells and bone and ivory or soft metals. But the modern version is credited to Julio Buel who was eating lunch while fishing in a boat and accidentally dropped a teaspoon overboard. He watched while it fluttered and sank and then saw a big fish grab it. He went home, took another spoon and cut off the handle. Then he drilled holes in both ends and attached a hook to one end. He caught bass and pike on it and went on to patent it and put it on the market. This was back in 1848 and since then spoons of all types have been made by many companies to catch fresh and salt-water fish.

The most famous and best-selling spoons are the Dardevles made by the Lou Eppinger Company of Detroit, Michigan. Their early spoon with two red and one white stripe has been a top seller for many years. They now make the Dardevle spoons in various sizes and weights and 34 colors or finishes. Another very successful spoon is the Silver Minnow made by the Louis Johnson Company. This spoon is favored by bass fishermen because it has a weed-guard over the hook that enables them to fish in the heaviest weeds and lily pads without hanging up. It comes in silver, gold and black and is usually used with a strip of porkrind or a rubber skirt or a plastic worm on the hook.

Spinners have also been around for a long time. One of the original spinners was fashioned about 80 years ago by John J. Hildebrandt who took a silver dime, hammered it into a thin, curved oval shape, put it on a wire shaft and added a fly behind it. The spinner blade revolving on the wire gave off a bright attractive flash when reeled or trolled in the water. Hildebrandt caught small-mouth bass on his new lure in the Wabash River and then went on to found a company with his name that is still making all kinds of spinners to this day in Logansport, Indiana.

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covered with feathers, or hair or a rubber or plastic skirt. The upper arm has one or two spinner blades on it. The lure has been around for quite a few years but became famous when professional fisherman such as Bobby Murray and Don Butler used the Spinnerbait and won bass fishing tournaments with it. Today no bass fisherman would go out on a lake without some Spinnerbaits in his tackle box. It can be used for bass, pike, walleyes and other fish on the surface, just below it, at mid-levels or right along the bottom.

One of the most versatile and killing lures that a fisherman can use is the jig. Actually, the jig or lures similar to it are one of man's oldest artificial lures. There are records of its use by ancient Polynesians in the South Pacific who made jigs from bone or shell and used them to catch fish for food. In this country one of the earliest jigs was developed in 1938 by Bill and Morrie Upperman of Atlantic City, New Jersey. The two brothers called their jig the "Upperman Bucktail" and it caught many species of fish in salt water.

a weighted head, usually of lead and a tail or skirt of feathers, hair, nylon, rubber or plastic. It casts like a bullet and catches fish from top to bottom. Today jigs are turned out in an amazing variety of head shapes, sizes, weights, colors and materials.

For years anglers fishing in both fresh and salt water have been trying to make a lure that not only looks like fish food but also feels and tastes like the real thing. Early replicas of fish foods were made from latex or soft rubber. Then about 1949 two men revolutionized the fishing lure business with the first creations of plastic lures that closely imitated live creatures that fish feed on.

One of these pioneers was Charlie Burke of Traverse City, Michigan. He began using a soft plastic to mold nymphs, ants, spiders, crickets, grasshoppers, crayfish and minnows. He started the business with \$500 worth of materials and equipment in the basement of his home. Today the Burke Fishing Lures Company is one of the largest manufacturers of fishing lures.



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During World War II their jig was the only lure included in the U. S. Government Survival Kit placed in life rafts. Expert anglers recommended the jig for this because in an emergency they felt it would catch fish better than any other lure.

After the war jigs became more popular and widely used not only in salt water but also in fresh water where they caught almost every gamefish and many so-called "bottom" fish such as catfish. A jig has

About the same time that Burke was molding his plastic lures, another man by the name of Nick Creme started working to create an artificial plastic worm. He had gotten tired of catching and running out of live nightcrawlers. So he began experimenting in the basement of his 100-year-old house with various plastics and dyes and molds. Finally he made a worm that looked like a genuine nightcrawler. He tried it out and found that it really caught bass



and walleyes. Then he put it on the market and slowly built up sales until he could go into mass production and distribution. Today the Creme Lure Company is still in business making plastic worms and other plastic lures.

The first plastic worms were made in natural colors to imitate a real nightcrawler. But today they are made by many fishing tackle companies in various colors such as white, yellow, pink, blue, green, black and purple. The blue, black and purple worms are the most popular and have caught more bass than the other colors. The big advantage of plastic worms and other plastic lures is that bass and other fish will grab them and hold on to them for a long time. Other lures made of wood, metal or hard plastics are ejected almost immediately. Plastic worms and lures are also coated with scents and flavors to give them a good taste.

Nowadays there are fishing lures on the market that have chemical pellets inside that give off gas-creating bubbles, while others exude a trail of red blood. Other "Sonic" lures give off sounds or vibrations that attract fish. Still others have metal balls or slugs inside that rattle and also draw fish from a distance. Some lures are coated with a bright fluorescent color. Others have luminous paint on their bodies or even a bright light inside. There are even lures that are propelled by a tiny battery running a small electric motor.

But most anglers stick to the old, reliable fishing lures that have been around for years and have been proven to be fish-getters. Or they use some of the recent lures that have appeared and have also been tested by many anglers and are known to catch fish.

The most successful anglers may carry a big tackle box of all kinds of fishing lures. But they usually stick to a few "favorites" that have worked in the past for them. They learn to use these lures skillfully and know which ones to use for different conditions. After catching many fish on these lures they gain a confidence in them and use them often. They fish hard and put in many hours, days and weeks on the water. Because through the years they have learned that you can't catch fish unless your lure is in the water! ■

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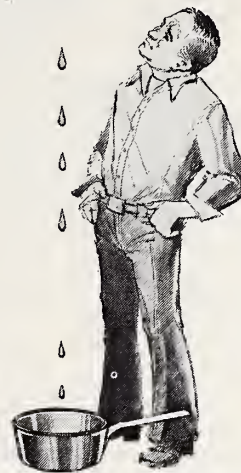
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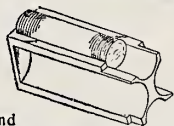
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## First Line of Defense?

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sufficient, until recently, to result in a reasonable state of assurance at the Pentagon. In the past few months, however, matters have taken a grave turn. For one thing, Russia has broken the conditions of the previous treaty and her rockets and satellites are transmitting in codes not broken. Further, there is undeniable evidence that Russia has developed killer-satellites and, as I mentioned earlier, American satellites have been developed to such an extent, it is claimed, that their cameras can actually distinguish numbers on a license plate and indeed, an officer's shoulder insignia.

The antecedents of the new war as might be expected, are found in the secret annals of World War II, now surfacing. As a result, much history currently accepted as accurate will have to be rewritten. The simple all-important reason can be stated in one sentence, namely those German codes which the Germans regarded as unbreakable had been broken. As a result, the Allied High Command knew exactly what the enemy's estimate of the situation was strategically, what it proposed to do about it tactically, and its order of battle and its capacity down to platoon level.

This precise knowledge far transcended the basic axiom that forewarned is forearmed. Among other things, the Allied intelligence's Bureau of Misinformation, called Department Twenty after the Roman Double Cross, was not only able to hoodwink the German High Command into believing that there was a huge Allied army under General George Patton which would attack Calais, but was able to ascertain how well the gigantic hoax was succeeding. As a result, to the very last, the German High Command refused to move critically needed divisions to repel the Normandy invasion, but actually immobilized its reserve in stubbornly clinging to the induced belief that the main Allied attack would come between Le Havre and Calais.

The British estimated that approximately 35,000 people were necessary to accomplish the full monitoring, not including its evaluation. At combat level, not only were the tanks identifiable individually, but their conversations with their bases outlining their damages and estimated

time of repair were, unbeknownst to them, simultaneously in the hands of their foes. Thus, in early December of 1944, a line of submarines running from north of Ireland down to the Azores started broadcasting weather reports to the German Admiralty at 11 P.M. Simultaneously, all tank communication on the battle line ceased. Allied intelligence at once divined what was going on. German Headquarters was waiting for the approach of a huge winter storm, one which would ground the Allied air force. Under cover of the storm, the enemy would then launch a super-secret panzer assault. The Allies were forewarned, and when the storm broke, the panzers swarmed out of the Ardennes, and the Battle of the Bulge was on.

Even more dramatic was the effect of the breaking of the codes on sea warfare. Actually, the messages of a German submarine reporting to the German Admiralty were decoded, read, and relayed to the Allied hunter-killer fleets as quickly as they were received in Berlin. Moreover, with the acceleration and refinement of location techniques, the sub's position could be pinpointed within a quarter of a mile.

As a result, it was estimated that the odds of a German submarine returning to its pen were 5 to 1 against. The Battle of the Atlantic was won in the decoding rooms. This was equally true of the war in the Pacific. The Japanese code had been broken, giving the U.S. a tremendous advantage. Then, a newspaper in this country broke a story that the Japanese code was no secret. Damage was heavy; it took months to repair the hurt that was done. The British were furious. In London, punishment would have been most severe.

Then, as now, security leaks in the American press are of such incredible dimension that no other country would permit them. In another area, Admiral Rickover angrily declared that after exhaustive experimentation and research, a revolution in submarine hull design broke the barrier of slow underwater speeds, only to have the model of the new hull on sale for a dollar in miniature hobby shops.

Since the Second World War, the technology of electronics has progressed geometrically. Much, of course, remains secret. However, that which is known tells much. The sound of every Russian submarine

was as individually identifiable as the fingerprints of a man. This was so super-secret that a number of Senators refused to be told about it—but they were able to read about it in a full page story of a national newsweekly a few weeks later. The knowledge isn't one way. Thus, when a U.S. submarine went down in the Bermuda deep, a prowling Russian sub was able to supply its exact location. Nevertheless, it is believed that the U.S. holds a vast lead in undersea detection. More particularly, it is felt that our main deterrent, the deep-sea Polaris submarines carrying nuclear warheads of more power than all artillery fired in both world wars, are beyond the state of the art of Russian undersea detection at this time.

When the war concluded, both British Security and the American OSS came up with the same conclusion: in a Third World War, our intelligence system would be both the first—and last—line of defense. In technical terms, it held that when mutual offensive destructive power reaches infinity, the only differential is in time of application. In ordinary terms, it means that whoever is quicker on the draw wins because, in brutal terms, a .45 automatic in a man's hand is worthless if he already has a .32 bullet through his brain. That, of course, is what the electronic war is all about, heavily accelerated by the acceptance that there is no second place.

It is fatuous to deny that a worldwide intelligence war of life-and-death intensity is in progress. That the American people do not wish to face this is assumed by both political parties. Hence neither will risk its political life as the bearer of bad news but the facts are inescapable.

In fact, an open democratic society is at great disadvantage in an intelligence war. Unfortunately, for lack of understanding its nature, the Congress has fearfully stacked the odds against the U.S. by exposing the operations of the CIA. The CIA operations are ghastly from the standpoint of ordinary, civilized life as it has flourished in our free country. For their infractions the CIA perpetrators should have been punished, perhaps even by death. But the operations themselves should never have been exposed. This might well mean a fundamental change in the law of the land, through a waiver and alienation of invaluable constitution-



al rights by those who enter the intelligence service. It undoubtedly means much stricter supervision and much more discipline in internal security. However, whatever else is demonstrated it is clear that untrained, unprofessional and unsophisticated Congressional committees are not the ones to do the job.

Exposure of secrets and of personnel not only paralyzes the organization, it compromises nearly all of its operations, and in some cases, probably has led to detection, torture and death. Worse, from a functional standpoint, it so multiplies the hazard of recruiting that major paralysis in the field cannot help but ensue. For example, the utterly lethal safeguards surrounding a special operation team in other countries, particularly in time of war, is such that if a member appears to be losing his nerve, he is either whisked off to a lonely headland for incommunicado incarceration or killed.

There is no way such iron discipline could be administered in the U.S. intelligence services. Perhaps it shouldn't be, so alien is it to our principles. However, the security problem is there. Cockeyed as our CIA and the intelligence services have been, it is our only eye and without intelligence we are a Cyclops with his eye put out. In this day and age, this means a blind man attempting to be quicker on the draw in a death duel. The immediate problem of the average citizen is neither so complex nor so agonizing.

In principal part it consists of what Thomas Jefferson called the first duty of citizenship in a democracy, that of keeping informed. The machinery for accomplishing that duty is as close as the nearest mail box.

Under the circumstances, it is little less than an imperative call to duty for every Legionnaire to write his Congressman, asking the details and then informing the Congressman of his view.

The new war is a war of survival. Because naval battles in the past were so swift and decisive and annihilating, it was once said there is no such thing as a second best navy. In the coming decades, there's no such thing as a second class intelligence and nuclear system—as Hiroshima and Nagasaki proved. The first step is not to place gun on shoulder; it is to take pen in hand and write the Senators, Congressmen and the President. ■



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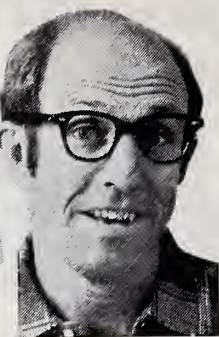
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## SHINANO (Part I)

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most of the other 200 scuttled ships, would there have been a Pearl Harbor? The speculation is endless and without an answer.

This is a striking example of our folly and misguided efforts. Disarmament without adequate safeguards is not a means to preserve peace.

On the 27th we received a radio message that no air raids were scheduled for 48 hours and that the patrol areas both to the east and west of us were unoccupied by friendly subs. We were therefore authorized to roam at will during the waiting period. We learned later that this relaxation of station assignment was the result of Captain George Peterson's efforts as Submarine Liaison Officer with the Army Bomber Command. He had been an instructor of mine at Sub School in 1936.

We considered that our most likely hunting area for finding targets would be closer inshore and near the entrance to Tokyo Bay. Therefore, the night of 27-28 November we proceeded on the surface to that area. At dawn on the 28th we dove for a submerged patrol.

Soon after settling into the normal routine our Radar Officer, Lt. (jg) Joe Bosza, requested permission to put the SJ radar out of commission for repairs. I told him I had not noticed any malfunction and was reluctant to disable such a valuable aid. He assured me that he could adjust the set for even better performance and that it could be back in operation soon after 5 P.M. when we would need it after surfacing. I agreed to his request.

No contacts were made during the daylight hours. I checked throughout the day on the progress of the radar repairs. My concern was heightened as we passed from daylight to darkness. When we surfaced we still had no radar and Joe's statement that he expected to have the repairs completed "soon" was not convincing. I stayed on the bridge as an additional lookout. After radar had been developed and installed on submarines we came to lean on it and depend heavily upon the great capability it provided us. Being on the surface during darkness without one gave the impression of being blindfolded as well as naked.

An additional reason for staying on the bridge was to protect my night vision. If one remains in darkness for

20 minutes or more his eyes become adapted to the low-light conditions. He then can see amazingly well in the darkness. A dim red light, or red goggles, can be used with only slight degradation but even a flicker of white light destroys the night capability. During hours of darkness, it was routine aboard all submarines to "Rig For Dark". This required all white lights in the conning tower and adjacent compartments to be extinguished and red turned on when needed.

About 8:30 P.M. we sighted Inamaba Shima, an island near the entrance of Tokyo Bay, but the radar, which Mr. Bosza reported "repaired" was not able to detect it. My impatience and exasperation were not controlled when soon thereafter he said they had a contact at 030 degrees. I told him in harsh tones that the island was at 060 degrees and apparently they had replaced the bearing circle improperly.

Within a couple of minutes he called to the bridge "Captain, your island is moving." Our log shows that we made sight and radar contact on a target at "2048, range 24,700 yards bearing 028 degrees True."

As the dark shape took on the appearance of being long and low and before any superstructure was visible, we assumed we had an oil tanker as target. I decided a surface approach might be feasible. A depth charging by an irate escort invariably followed a submerged attack. If this could be avoided by making a surface attack, so much the better. Only one escort had been detected at that time so we intended to get down moon (west) of the target, come in on his starboard beam or quarter, pass astern of the escort, shoot, then get out again and have a good view of the results.

After starting the approach for that method of attack, we soon detected one or two more escorts and the shape of an aircraft carrier rather than a tanker became clear.

This was a different situation! A surface attack on a carrier with multiple escorts was foolhardy and had little chance of success. I then knew that we would have to get ahead, if possible, by using our maximum surface speed, submerge at the correct position followed by an undetected periscope approach. The sea state was about force 4 which was accept-



able and the half moon would provide sufficient light for the periscope approach. Our problem was to get ahead.

From 2230 (10:30 P.M.) on the 28th until 0300 (3 A.M.) on the 29th we did all we could to get ahead. The carrier's speed was close to 20 knots. Our four straining engines were nursed, and coaxed by our anxious engine room gang to exceed the rated full-power load. We could still get only a little over 18 knots. However, the target was steering a zig-zag course to make more difficult a submarine attack. We would select a steady course, therefore shorter, when our top-notch fire control party would solve his base course. By that method we could hold our own, or perhaps gain slightly.

It is interesting to note that late in 1945 during the court-martial of the Captain of *USS Indianapolis* our attack was presented in testimony. *Indianapolis* had been attacked and sunk by a Japanese submarine in the closing days of the War. The cruiser was steering a steady course, rather than zig-zagging. The fact that *Archer-Fish* had been able to close and sink a faster ship because of zig-zagging was presented. The purpose of the testimony was to demonstrate that the normal procedure was not always the better.

Our radar performed perfectly throughout the approach and permitted us to solve his course speed accurately. I was thankful that adjustments had been made. There was no indication that the Nips detected our emissions.

It appeared that we may have been sighted about 2250. The carrier turned on a red masthead light for 10 seconds, off for 20, then on again 10 seconds. One destroyer was 6,100 yards from us at the time and the visibility of the high white spray that our bow was causing had been a matter of concern to us. The enemy force took no action toward us so the reason for the lights has never been understood.

Why the Japanese ships did not use radar and thereby detect us has never been explained to my knowledge. A reasonable assumption based on postwar information is that the carrier construction had not yet been completed. Testing watertight compartments had not been finished nor had all pumps been installed. Per-

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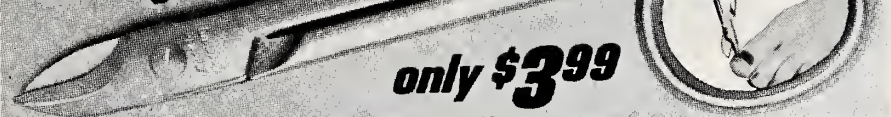
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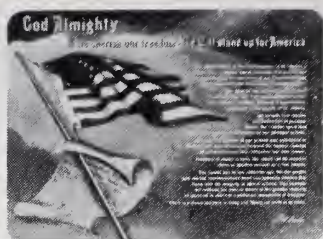
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The entire ships company of *Archer-Fish* had been at Battle Stations from the time of the target detection until the attack was completed. Each person aboard, there were nine officers and 72 men, contributed and performed every task magnificently. Every piece of equipment operated up to or surpassed the designed specifications.

Lt. John Andrews was the Officer of the Deck on the bridge. He checked with the lookouts frequently to ensure that all sections were covered, that the binoculars were clean, that the men on watch

(jg) Gordon Crosby when Gordon was not involved in encoding our radio transmissions. The plotting party was Ensign Judd Dygert and Warrant Officer Dan Ellzey. Visual bearings and radar ranges of the carrier were inserted in the TDC and also were plotted. The course and speed of the target were obtained by comparing the two methods, and both parties coordinated their recommendations to me for a course to steer to get ahead of the target. Joe Bosza supervised the radar operations and also filled in at plot on occasion. Every three minutes the radar would make a careful search sweep through the complete 360 degrees so that no one could come up on our disengaged side and surprise us. The Executive Officer, Lt. "Bob" Bobczynski was coordinator and supervisor of the whole ship without a specific assignment. This was not the usual Battle Station assignment for the



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I made innumerable trips between the bridge and the conning tower where our fire control party was operating.

The Torpedo Data Computer (TDC) was operated by Lt. Dave Bunting. He was assisted by Lt.

Executive Officer among the submarines, but I thought it to be best. Too many times a man can be so engrossed in his own task that no one is watching "the forest for the trees." Bob had the ability to see and keep the whole picture, step in where appropriate, and check that all details were covered. Bob was also free to go through the ship to confirm that all was well and to tell the people what was happening on the bridge.

Lt. Rom Cousins, our Engineering Officer, was the Diving Officer



at his station in the control room below the conning tower. His primary interest was to be ready for a fast dive whenever needed. The Chief from the engine room came forward occasionally to inform Rom of the efforts to get a few more turns. He maintained an accurate trim ballast as we were gulping oil in large quantities as the engines raced.

The carrier base course during the long chase was first to the southwest, then south, and next west. We were always far out on the beam in spite of our best efforts.

We sent a contact message at 2330 to Commander Submarine Force. In addition to everything else going so well that night our radiomen and communications in general were excellent. Pearl Harbor copied our coded message intact the first time and gave us a speedy "Roger" indicating receipt. We didn't send the message in order to get help from any one as we knew we were alone, but we did want Commander Submarine, Pacific, to know that we were after an aircraft carrier. There was little risk, if any, that the Japanese would detect, locate, and attack us because of the radio transmission. They didn't react that quickly. Perhaps a few hours later a plane would be out looking for us, but he would be much too late.

At 0240 we sent another message for a status report. The carrier was on a westerly course now and we were seven or eight miles on his port beam. Even a slight chance of getting into a firing position appeared to be doubtful. I told Gordon Crosby to stay with our radioman in the radio shack until the coded message was transmitted to Pearl on the "ship to shore" frequency and then shift to the "ship to ship" frequency and send it again in case a friendly sub had started our way to assist. But cooperation was again perfect. While we were in the process of sending to Pearl, the communicators there deduced the importance of our information even before decoding the message. They had started to send it back out on the submarine broadcast frequency for all subs! Long after the patrol ended I heard second hand from friends that Admiral Lockwood immediately had sent to Archer-Fish "Keep after him Joe. We are all pulling for you. Your picture is on the

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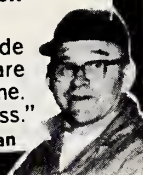
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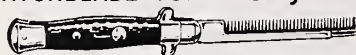
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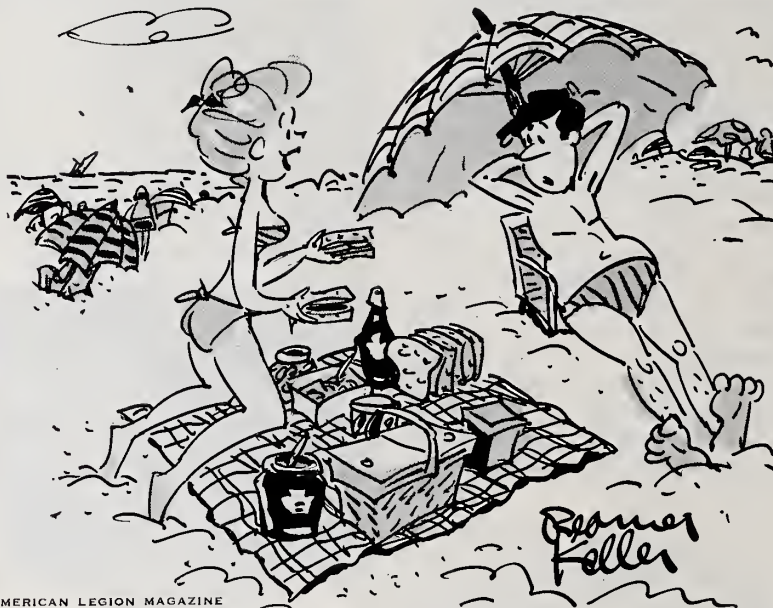


piano." We never got the message as we were submerged making the attack when it was sent.

At 0300 the situation changed quickly and for the better. The carrier group changed course from 270 degrees to 210 degrees and was heading directly at us! We finally were in position! Until then we had only hope of making an attack. Now we had the opportunity! The trap for him was set, but we had to guard carefully our advantage. The all important question was "Is this a change in base course, or only a big zig?" If it was a base course change, we were in an excellent position for attack. If it was only a "zig," we could soon expect

and give the range. When the radar reported 12,000 yards I ordered "Right full rudder. Steady on 030." Because of our high speed the ship heeled well over and spun readily to the new course—heading bows-on to the target. We slowed our speed, sounded the diving alarm, and slipped easily down to periscope depth.

We now had adequate time, about 15 minutes, to be careful, deliberate, and to check each action and to re-check. It was not the time or the place for hasty actions and careless mistakes. We were now engaged in a typical approach that we had practiced and rehearsed hundreds of



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"Will you have liverwurst and sand, Dear, or egg salad and sand?"

another big "zag" away. We didn't want to commit *Archer-Fish* too early and submerge as then the slow speed, even for a couple of minutes, would hinder us badly in trying to reach a firing position.

If it was a base course change, we wanted to go down to periscope depth early enough to ensure that he would not sight us and take avoiding action. I picked 12,000 yards range to the carrier as the decision point. The Exec took station between the TDC operator and the plotting party, carefully evaluating every range from SJ radar and the bearings from the bridge that we sent down. Readings were being taken at frequent intervals now. Every few seconds Bob would come to the hatch and call up "Captain, he is still coming directly at us,"

times on training runs in various submarines over many years, nine years in my case. The principle for firing torpedoes is not far different from what I had learned on the rifle range at the Naval Academy, "settle down—steady—and squeeze the trigger gently." Failure to follow these rules on the rifle range means the bullseye will be missed. I was determined that with this opportunity to sink a carrier, the *Archer-Fish* fire control party—including me—would settle down and be steady. We must be calculating, meticulous, and accurate!

I was able to see the target group through the periscope soon after we leveled off and I said "Up 'scope."

During the night while we were on the surface and were observing the



carrier through binoculars, Bob, John and I tried to identify the ship. Again, while I was on the periscope and the target was closing in the final stages of the attack we were still unable to make identification. He was different from any ship in our recognition books. I described his bow to our fire control party and made a hurried sketch of it. Also the stern was described and sketched. Then his superstructure. After each sketch someone would show me a picture of the Japanese carrier with some similarity and I would say "No—not that one."

As the range closed rapidly we prepared all torpedoes—six forward and four aft—for firing. They were all steam Mark 14's. I ordered a depth setting of 10 feet on the "fish." Normally the set depth for a large ship would be deeper as in theory lower holes in a hull would have more water pressure and cause more damage. My reasoning was based on three factors.

First was a discussion over a year earlier I had had aboard *USS Dace* in New London with Rear Admiral Freeland A. Daubin when he was Commander Submarines, Atlantic. We were in the wardroom having a cup of coffee during an informal chat. He said that if he ever had a chance to shoot at an aircraft carrier, he would set the torpedoes to run shallow. His reasoning was that with the heavy flight deck well above the waterline any additional weight high in the ship, such as caused by flooding, would tend to induce the ship to capsize. Less flooding high rather than more flooding low in the bowels of the ship appeared to be a surer method of destruction.

Secondly, there was enough evidence of torpedoes running deeper than set for them to be suspect. Many submarine skippers reported that only in that manner could they explain some of the misses. I had some suspicions that depth was the reason for at least three of my misses in *DACE* in November 1943.

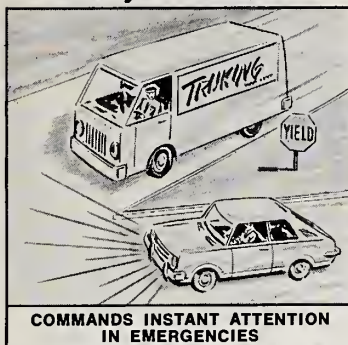
The third factor was that we had not been able to identify the target and get data on the draft from the Recognition Manual. I wanted to be sure I didn't overestimate the draft.

Based on these factors, I said "Set all torpedoes at 10 feet."

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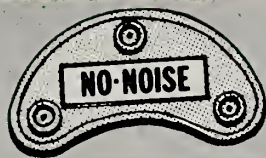
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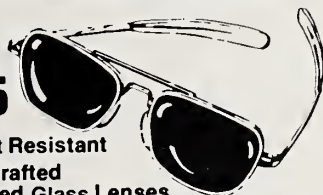
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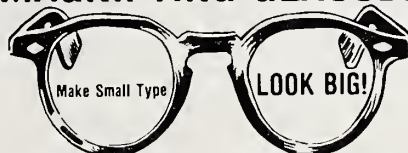
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*"What's the matter, Glenda? You haven't said a word since we left camp."*

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## One of Those Days . . .

Meeting his friend at the coffee machine, Joe asked how he was, and added, "Boy, you sure look worried."

To which the friend replied, "Man, I've got so many problems that if anything bad happens to me today it'll be at least two weeks before I can worry about it."

—FRAN ALLISON

## Identity Crisis?

A little boy who had been praying for a new tricycle went on strike at bedtime, explaining to his mother, "It's no use. Art doesn't listen."

"Art who?" she asked.

"Art in heaven," he replied sadly.

—DOROTHEA KENT

One woman to another at the meat counter; "Why Mary! I haven't seen you since hamburger was 59 cents a pound."

—GEORGE BERGMAN

## How True . . .

America unquestionably has the highest standard of living in the world. Too bad we can't afford it.

—HUGO BIANINI

## Eyestrain?

A bikini is held together  
With a couple of hooks  
and a lot of eyes!

—HAL WILLIAMS

Vacation: What you take when you can't take what you've been taking any longer.

—JOHN FLYNN

## Eighth Wonder

Our capital city, Washington  
Fills me with awe and delight.  
Where else in the world, may I ask you,  
Does sound travel faster than light?

—ROBERT FUOSS

Noted on church bulletin board: "Come to church on Sunday and have your faith lifted."

—GEORGE WINGER

## Menagerie Menace?

At today's inflated prices,  
Things are not as before.  
A chicken in every pot would mean  
A wolf at every door!

—CAROL MAYFIELD

Today, travel in an undeveloped country and you can't drink the water. Travel in a developed country and you can't breathe the air.

—GEORGE EDWARDS

## Veni, Vidi, Visa

If Caesar had been truly modern,  
History would have to be re-writ  
Since he'd change his most famous  
comment to "I came. I saw.  
I charged it!"

—R. C. SHEBELSKI

## Moving Speech

Oh, how good in these times  
When such woes fill our cup,  
To be hearing those three  
Little words: "Fill'er up!"

—BERT MURRAY

## To Thee I Cling

The tides in money matters show  
A hectic ebb and not much flow.  
On every hand I hear and see  
The news of some big spending spree  
And read with horrified distaste  
of bureaucratic graft and waste.  
It makes me hot beneath my collar  
To see how taxes gouge the dollar  
For which John Doe and I have toiled—  
The gravy train is kept well oiled.  
My country's state may seem dismaying,  
But bid me no farewells. *I'm staying.*

—IRENE WARSAW



*"How do you look up words in the dictionary that you don't know how to spell?"*

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